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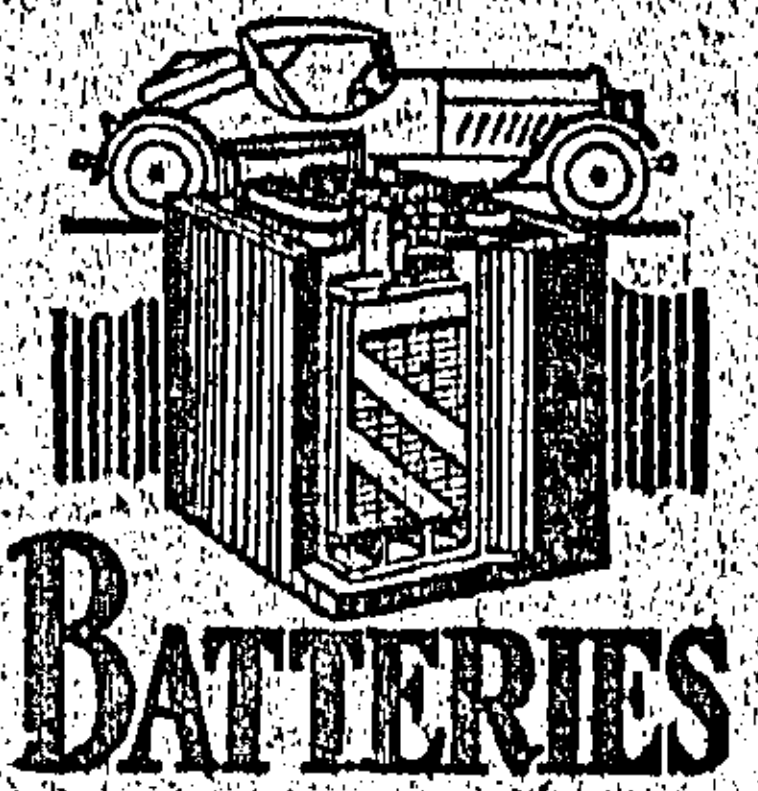
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CANTON POLICY.

BIG PROGRAMME OUTLINED.

DECISIONS OF CONFERENCE.

A communique issued by the Canton Information Bureau says the seventh session of the Kuomintang Congress was devoted to the study of means and ways to realise political and economic unification for the whole country, to abolish the military system and constitute a democratic Government, to safeguard to the people complete liberty, allow national minorities the right of self-determination, to punish corrupt officials and to constitute a clean-handed Government. Other points dealt with were:

To abolish unequal Treaties and conclude new Treaties upholding China's sovereignty.

To secure Customs independence, abolish lekin, unify the national finances and currency, and build railway, roads and harbours.

To reform education, made a definite appropriation for education, encourage the popular literary movement and introduce compulsory free education. All private school establishments by missionaries and foreigners to be registered at the Educational Administrative Organs.

To take energetic measures to suppress banditry, organise self-government, land registration and a cadastre survey.

MILITARY AND CIVIL.

The Congress defined the rights of the military and civil administrations. The former will not interfere in civil affairs except in war time, when the military will assume the administration where martial law is declared.

Other decisions were carried referring to:

The institution of a Central Military and Political University, Military Affairs Committee and Ministry of Military Affairs.

Introduction of national military education.

Development of military aviation.

The Congress decided that women shall have equal privileges as men in law, politics, economics, education, etc.

Special attention was paid to industrial and commercial present conditions and measures adopted to develop native industry, protect the merchants' right and assure the safety of communications.

The amelioration of the conditions of life of Government employees, teachers and staffs of schools was voted.

COTTON ACREAGE.

U.S. FARMERS WARNED.

New York, Oct. 26. A message from Dallas, Texas, says the Bankers' Association has sent an ultimatum to the farmers that they must reduce the cotton acreage or risk a curtailment of loans.—*Reuter's American Service.*

NAVAL MISSION.

TO VISIT GREECE.

Rugby, Oct. 26. The British Government, at the request of the Greek Prime Minister, General Kondylis, has agreed to send a new naval mission to Greece.—*British Wireles.*

BOYCOTT POSITION LATEST.

RELIEF COMMITTEE FOR STRIKERS.

"ENEMY GOODS" SEARCH.

The latest rumour from Canton in regard to the movement for extending the boycott is that a certain prominent agitator has been advising the Labour Unions to destroy all the products of a big foreign firm dealing in tobacco, but it is not thought that much notice will be taken of this proposal.

It is also reported that a Union representing the workers in grocery shops has issued a denial that its pickets have confiscated a consignment of cigarettes belonging to the British American Tobacco Company, but it admits that its pickets may have been engaged recently in searching out "enemy goods" from the shops.

Another report states that the Canton authorities are appointing the following as a committee to deal with relief work for the strikers, some of whom have not yet found suitable positions:—Mr. Soe Shu-ching, chairman of the Canton Strike Committee; Dr. T. F. Lin, Superintendent of Canton Customs; Mr. Ko Sheng-yuen, secretary of the Foreign Office; Colonel Chin Chao, staff officer of the General Headquarters; and Mr. C. P. Fung, secretary of the Kuomintang Labour Division. This committee is not to further enforce the boycott and strike but to represent the Kuomintang in co-operation with the Strike Committee in winding up the latter's affairs following the calling off of the blockade.

In the Heungshan district, prices of all commodities have dropped considerably since the withdrawal of the strike pickets, this being particularly noticeable in the case of salt, sugar and kerosene. A brisk business in exports is also reported.

THE BELGIAN FRANC.

RATE OF STABILISATION.

Brussels, Oct. 26. The Stabilisation Decree has been greeted with complete satisfaction everywhere.

It is stated that 2700,000 worth of gold securities were brought to the National Bank as soon as it became known that stabilisation had been decided on. The sterling rate has been fixed at 174.40, and the dollar at 35.93. A new gold unit has been established, namely the Belga, which is equal to five paper francs, while the franc continues to circulate at this fixed rate.—*Reuter.*

GOOD SUPPORT.

London, Oct. 26. The London portion of the Belgian Stabilisation Loan of \$100,000,000 at 7 per cent, amounting to £7,250,000, will be offered to public subscription on Oct. 27, at 94 per cent. The American issue of \$50,000,000 is over-subscribed. The balance will be provided by issues in Switzerland, Holland and Sweden.—*Reuter.*

TEA BUYING.

GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST TO BROKERS.

London, Oct. 26. In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Sir P. Cunliffe Lister stated that the Government had communicated to the Tea Buying Brokers' Association the recommendation by the Food Council, that the Association should prohibit its members acting simultaneously as brokers and jobbers. The Association had replied that the matter was receiving attention.—*Reuter.*

MORE FIGHTING.

SOUTHERN TROOPS ACTIVE.

MISSION HOUSE LOOTED.

According to Chinese reports from the Kiangsi front, Fuchow—an important strategic point about forty miles south-east of Nanchang—has fallen into the hands of the 2nd Army Corps of the Southern Army. If this is true, Marshal Sun Chuan-fang will be rendered largely powerless in the province, unless he is heavily reinforced by Wu Pei-fu who is reported to be endeavouring to pierce the lines of Fan Chung-shan, and of the Southern forces stationed near the Wu Sing Pass.

The report further states that orders have been issued to the 6th and 14th Army Corps to cross the Kiangsi-Fukien border to attack Shao Wu and Ting Chow, whilst the 17th Army Corps is to co-operate in the attack on the latter city. At the same time orders have been issued to the 8th, 9th and 10th Army Corps to advance past haste and take up positions to assist Fan Chung-shan to stem the march of Wu Pei-fu's armies into Hupoh.

THE FUKIEN FRONT.

It is reported from the Fukien battlefield that hostilities have been renewed, and that the Nationalists have taken the offensive by attacking Cheng Chow, which is likely to fall very shortly, in view of the fact that Chang Ye has fallen back on Tung An. It is also stated that communications between Tung An and Amoy have been cut by the Peoples' Army which is co-operating with the Nationalist armies.

In a bulletin just issued, the Kuomintang has reaffirmed its decision of having a Party representative to accompany every regiment, brigade or division of the Nationalist Army, who will control and direct all affairs other than military, whilst in all military matters these representatives shall be consulted before the Commanding Officers can take action. It is said that General Tang Sun-chao is strongly protesting against this decision, on the ground that it hampers the free movements of the Army, whilst strict secrecy cannot be maintained under such conditions. General Chang Kai-shek has not expressed his opinion on the subject, but it is thought that a compromise will be effected.

NANCHANG FIGHTING.

The first Red Cross party, which left Kuling some three weeks ago have returned safely, says a Nanchang correspondent, writing to the *N. C. Daily News* under date of the 18th instant. They report that severe fighting took place at Nanchang last week—continuous fighting from Sunday till Thursday.

Hand to hand fighting took place, the walls were scaled by Southerners and the latter entered one of the gates, but later left by another gate.

The Southerners finally withdrew to a position south of Nanchang, about 20 li away, and are entrenched there, waiting for further supplies and ammunition. There have been severe losses on both sides.

The Southerners actually placed some of their guns in the compound of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, thus drawing the firing of the Northerners on to that compound. Despite strong objections which were raised by the senior members of that Mission, military officers refused to have the guns moved away. Another large gun was also placed on property belonging to the American Mission, but we understand was removed later. Looting is continually going on at Nanchang.

The China Inland Mission House has been looted, but so far all the (Continued On Page 12.)

CULT OF THE BOBBED HAIR.

MOVEMENT BY CHINESE MAIDENS.

ASSOCIATION FORMED.

A report from the Heungshan district of Kwangtung states that a certain section of the young ladies in that region have begun an agitation for the formation of a Young Women's Bobbed Hair Association.

The new style of hair-dressing is favoured by the sponsors of the scheme, on the ground of comfort, convenience and hygiene. So far, sixty-two young ladies have agreed to take office in the new Association, and publicity work on an extensive scale is being arranged.

The movement is said to be gaining force amongst the younger women, although some of the adults do not favour the departure from old custom, saying that the girls, by bobbing their hair, are becoming more like men in appearance every day. Against this, the leaders of the new movement say that comfort and health are the chief factors to be taken into account.

BOMB FOUND.

A NEW YORK SENSATION.

New York, Oct. 26.

A bomb, which experts declare contained enough dynamite to blow up a section of lower New York has been found on the window ledge of the Country House. A ticking sound from a bag aroused the suspicions of the clerks who were attempting to open it, whereupon they called in the Fire Department.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SINO-BELGIAN TREATY.

HOPES FOR A SETTLEMENT.

Brussels, Oct. 26.

The newspaper *Le Vingtieme Siecle* states that M. Vandervelde, the Foreign Minister, is still negotiating with the Peking Government with regard to the Sino-Belgian Commercial Treaty of 1865, and hopes for a satisfactory solution should not be abandoned.—*Reuter.*

RUSSIAN REDS.

CONFERENCE CHOOSES LEADERS.

Moscow, Oct. 26.

The Conference of the Communist Party, which has opened at the Kremlin, has unanimously elected a Presidium of thirty-seven members, including M. Stalin, M. Bukharin, M. Rykoff and M. Tomskey.—*Reuter.*

STORM DAMAGE.

MAURITIUS SUGAR CROP.

London, Oct. 26.

A message from Port Louis, Mauritius, says that as the result of the hurricane in April, the amount of sugar available for export is estimated at 180,000 tons, as compared with 240,000 tons last year.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL LOSS.

EIGHTY-FIVE POSTED AS MISSING.

London, Oct. 26.

The Admiralty has announced the names of 85 men, as missing from H.M.S. *Valorian*, including four officers.—*Reuter.*

TRAIN SMASH.

ATTEMPT ON NANKING EXPRESS.

RAILS TORN UP.

A deliberate attempt to wreck the night express bound for Shanghai from Nanking was perpetrated by agents of the Red (Southern) army last night, says the *Shanghai Mercury* of Friday last, which resulted in the derailment of the express engine and two baggage cars, coupled immediately to the rear of the engine, killing one Chinese gendarme and seriously injuring the engine driver and the fireman.

By some miraculous means the passenger-coaches, carrying several hundred passengers from the provincial capital, kept to the rails and no one was hurt.

RAILS REMOVED.

That it was a deliberate effort to upset the train, regardless of the safety of hundreds of passengers, is shown by the fact that the rails were actually removed from the track, causing the engine and baggage vans to jump the track, overturn, and end up in a pool of stagnant water beside the railway track. If further evidence were needed to prove the deadly determination of the agents responsible for the crime, it is shown by a second attempt to wreck another train within a few hours of the first success. This time, however, their attentions were turned in another direction.

Upon receipt of the news of the derailment in Shanghai, local railway authorities immediately sent for the breakdown train which was in the Woosung workshops. While coming up to Shanghai to take aboard the necessary workmen and officials of the railway to direct salvage operations, this train was, also derailed, rails having been removed from the Woosung line in the same manner as those on the Nanking line.

Fortunately, however, it was found possible to replace the repair train on the track and continue the journey. Train services to Woosung are, however, held up until the line is completely repaired.

According to the information received in Shanghai, the train was proceeding between Kaotze and Chinkiang, a distance of about 10 miles. The hour was between one and two a.m., the express having left Nanking at 11 o'clock. Kaotze is on the Nanking side of Chinkiang.

The train was travelling at a fair speed and the driver was unable to pull up before reaching the break in line which threw the engine over, dragging the two nearest baggage cars behind, overturning into the ditch which was filled with water.

WOUNDED REMOVED.

The gendarme was riding in one of the baggage cars, it is said. Communication was at once established with both Chinkiang and Kaotze with the result that the injured engine driver and the fireman were removed to hospital at Chinkiang where they now are in a serious condition.

Telegrams were also sent to Shanghai and orders were given for the breakdown train to be manned at once. It was while this train was coming up from Woosung that the second plot was discovered. For several hours the repair gang worked on the breakdown train and after an hour or two succeeded in getting the line into running order again, sufficient for the breakdown train at least. This train carries a large crane for hauling purposes in addition to up-to-date equipment for repairing tracks, etc.

EXPRESS HELPLESS.

Upon arrival at the Shanghai North Station Messrs. Tuxford (Maintenance Manager), Clear (General Manager), Mulvey (Workshop Manager) and (Continued On Page 12.)

SURREYS EMBARK FOR INDIA.

GOOD-BYE MARCH DRAWS BIG CROWDS.

A SMART TURN-OUT.

The high esteem in which the 1st Battalion the East Surrey Regiment is held in Hongkong, its headquarters and home for the past three years, required no demonstration other than the huge throng which lined the streets this morning to witness the Goodbye March.

An extremely smart turn-out typical of the Surreys, in full marching order, with Colours flying, and headed by the "pipe" band of the relieving battalion of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, marched by way of Des Voeux Road Central, the Post Office, past the Cenotaph where the General Officer Commanding (Major General C. C. Luard) took the last salute.

The Surreys' Band, which during the battalion's sojourn has contributed substantially to Hongkong's musical pleasure, was stationed outside the Hongkong Club and played the familiar regimental march of the East Surreys for the march past.

The column in-line was one of the longest seen in the Colony for many years, the leading company saluting the G. O. C. before the rear-guard had turned into the Praya.

COLOURS SALUTED.

The battalion paraded inside the Naval Yard, and with due ceremonial saluted the Colours before they were encased in their sheaths and placed on board H.M.T. *Neuralia*.

A crowd of at least two thousand had assembled at and near the Cenotaph to witness the last salute and afterwards there was a general move towards the Prince of Wales Gate.

Hundreds of European residents found their way into the Naval Yard looking for their particular friends to wish them "Bon Voyage" and shortly after midday His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) arrived to bid farewell to a popular regiment. H. E. was accompanied by Capt. C. H. Steele, M.C., A.D.C.

The band and the "pipe" band of the K.O.S.B. played selections alternately whilst the work of embarkation was in progress.

PRESIDENT'S POWERS.

RULING BY U.S. SUPREME COURT.

Washington, Oct. 26.

The United States' Supreme Court has settled a historic point by upholding the President's right to remove, without consulting the Senate, the Executive officers whom he appoints with the Senate's advice and consent.

The ruling was made on an appeal by Postmaster Oregon, whom the late President Wilson removed from office. Three out of the nine members of the Court strongly dissented from the ruling, apparently on the ground that the decision might upset the principle of checks and balances on which the United States Government is founded.—*Reuter's American Service.*

COTTON MARKET.

GEORGIA TAKES ACTION.

Atlanta, Oct. 26.

After a conference with Mr. Eugene Meyer, who is touring the south with a group of prominent bankers and business men, the agriculturists here have indicated their intention to organize a finance corporation similar to those contemplated in North and South Carolina with the object of holding off from the markets a number of bales of cotton to prevent the price falling too low.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INDEPENDENCE.

A NOVEL FILIPINO SCHEME.

BANK TO BE CREATED.

Establishment of a bank to be called the Independence Bank, capital shares of which are to be sold to the public, is the latest and perhaps most novel scheme to raise funds for the support of the Philippine Press Bureau at Washington and the expenses of any future Philippine mission to the United States to campaign for independence.

The bank is capitalized at four million pesos, the capital stock to be divided into shares of Pesos 2 each, 25 per cent. of which is to be fully paid at the time of subscription. The rest must be paid in three yearly instalments. According to the plans, in view of the imperative need of the Press Bureau for funds, the bank is to be incorporated not later than next April. The entire capital is to be fully paid by April, 1929.

PUBLIC HAS CHANCE.

The sale of the shares will be made to the general public but to ensure prompt subscription of the entire capital stock it is planned to assign as many shares to the provinces, municipalities and principal cities. If this is found objectionable because of the official participation of the local governments, Senator Tirona, the democratic leader, who is introducing the Bill, explains he is ready to strike out that part of the proposition and resort to purely voluntary subscription.

According to the plan, the legislature will not be called upon to intervene in the matter. Reason for this is to avoid the possible veto of the Governor General if it should be passed by the legislature. It would also eliminate the obligatory aspect of the purchase of the shares, a fact thought to be significant because it may be taken by anti-independenceists as a scheme to extort money from the public for a cause not popularly favoured.

DIVISION OF PROFITS.

Profits of the bank out of which the Press Bureau and Philippine independence missions is to be partly financed is to be divided as follows: 50 per cent. will be set aside for the Press Bureau and expenses of missions to the United States until independence is obtained; 40 per cent. to be paid in dividends; 10 per cent. to constitute the reserve fund.

Manifold advantages in the plan were pointed out by Senator Tirona for the realization of his plan. In the first place, he says, the establishment of a bank would guarantee a permanent source of revenue for pro-liberty work. Secondly, it would provide a financing system whereby industry and commerce would be materially aided. Thirdly the public could be made to participate in supporting the independence campaign without losing the money they invest. This does not happen when they contribute to liberty fund campaigns as in previous years because they give away their money without hope of return in the future, he explained.

OFFERS NEW GIFTS.

"I have no more heart to ask the public again for subscriptions," Senator Tirona declared. "The people must not be burdened too much. We must not overtax their patriotism by soliciting contributions from them which may be beyond their means to give." Senator Tirona expressed confidence in the practicability and soundness of his plan. The resources of the bank are to be applied for the development only of agriculture and industry, he pointed out, along the same lines followed in the rural credit system now in vogue in the islands. (Continued On Page 12.)

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Theosophical Society, 7, Duddell Street, on Thursday, October, 28th., at
6 p.m. The meeting is open to the Public.

A WILY WIZARD.

WOMAN'S DEALINGS WITH
SOOTHSAYER.

The wiles of a local Chinese
soothsayer were revealed at the
Central Magistracy yesterday
when a fortune teller was charged
with obtaining money by fraud.
By the promise of a fortune and
by holding out the possibility of
serious illness a woman was in-
duced to pay the soothsayer over
\$400 and yesterday related an ex-
traordinary story of the man's
duplicitous.

The woman said she had never
been to a fortune teller before,
but saw the sign outside the
house and went in. She was told
that she was the heir to a large
fortune, a legacy of a previous
incarnation. There was however,
an evil spirit between the woman
and the money, and the defendant
required that certain joss cere-
monies should be performed.

The woman paid \$4.80 for these
ceremonies and a further \$27 for
a "spirit message." On another
visit to the soothsayer she was
told to burn 1,080 Sanscrit books
and to erect an altar and make
a sacrifice. She paid defendant
\$46 for this and he told her that
the sacrifice must be made in a
monastery on a well known hill.

Another Prophet.

Other sums of money were
paid over in due course and
eventually the soothsayer's
"brother prophet" was introduced.
He told the woman that the fol-
lowing day, being the fifth of the
fifth moon was a lucky day and
told her to worship all the gods
in all the temples in Hongkong.

She was then told to return on
June 15, bringing one cent's
worth of joss paper. On another
occasion four pieces of joss paper
were put in a box and after some
worshipping a Shanghai silver
dollar was found inside. This
bore certain characters, on one
side the woman's name and on
the other "\$500,000."

The woman paid a further \$100
when she was told that the sooth-
sayer wanted to rent a house and
to buy fifteen leather trunks.
The latter were to receive the
fortune. She was also asked to
buy a piece of yellow paper and
then the prophet would ask the
gods which day was propitious
for the fortune to be received.
This piece of paper was placed in
an envelope and after gods had
been worshipped, the envelope
was opened and the paper found
to bear characters.

Averting A Calamity.
The characters said that a
calamity awaited her in the 29th
year and that she would die be-
fore that time. The calamity
could be averted by payment of
\$68 gold. She could not find the
sum and was told that \$2,000
Mexican would do. He eventually
told the woman that he would
consult his "uncle prophet" and
later, on payment of \$36, this
man promised to do all he could
for her.

This prophet averred that her
luck was very poor and that she
would have a serious illness, and
the matter was again referred to
the defendant. The woman con-
cluded her story by saying that
her husband found she had pawned
her jewellery to pay the sooth-
sayer fees and set inquiries on
foot.

In a statement from the dock,
defendant said the woman asked
him to joss for her and to carry
out sacrificial rites and worship-
ping. The other man had ab-
sconded from Hongkong when the
strike was settled.

Defendant was sentenced to
three months' hard labour.

RUSSIAN EARTHQUAKE

A HEAVY DEATH ROLL

Moscow, Oct. 26.

It is now reported that 350 were
killed and 400 injured in the earth-
quake at Leninakan.—Reuter.

AVIATION.

FURTHER HONOUR FOR
SIR A. COBHAM.

Rugby, Oct. 26.

Sir Alan Cobham has been made
an Honorary Fellow of the Royal
Aeronautical Society the highest
honour that this body can confer,
and Sergeant Ward and Capel, his
companions, have been made Life
Associates.

A proposal is under considera-
tion for perpetuating the memory
of Elliott, the mechanic who was
shot while Sir Alan Cobham was
flying to Basra.

Air Route to India.

Air Vice Marshal, Sir Sefton
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planes driven by three Bristol
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1,200 horsepower. One machine
will land at Cairo.

The passenger fare from London
to Cairo will be £50, and from
London to Basra £100.

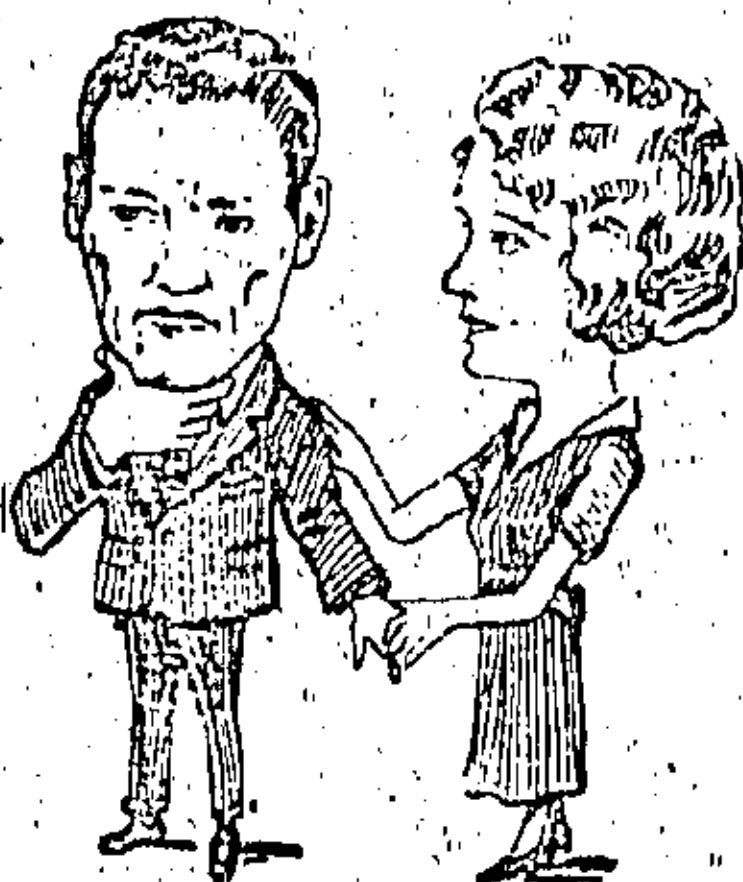
Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for
Air and Lady Hoare, will leave
on a third machine on December
27 for Delhi. This 6,500 miles
flight will constitute the official
opening of the new Egypt to India
air service.—British Wireless.

PENDING DEPARTURE.

INSPECTOR PINCOTT
RETIRING.

His friends will learn with in-
terest that Detective Inspector
William Pincott of the Yau-mai
Police Station is shortly to retire
on pension and is due to leave the
Colony by the s.s. Macedonia on
December 11 after 20 years' service
with the local Police. The Force
will thereby lose one of its most
capable officers and one with a
long and varied experience in
police work in this Colony. An
assiduous investigator and at all
times ready to assist a junior, his
retirement will be regretted by
many.

Inspector Pincott, we under-
stand, intends to reside in the
country near Portsmouth and will
take up farming on a small scale.
His many friends and colleagues
will wish him every success and
many years among the cows and
chickens, knowing that he will have
the assistance of a very able help-
mate in Mrs. Pincott.



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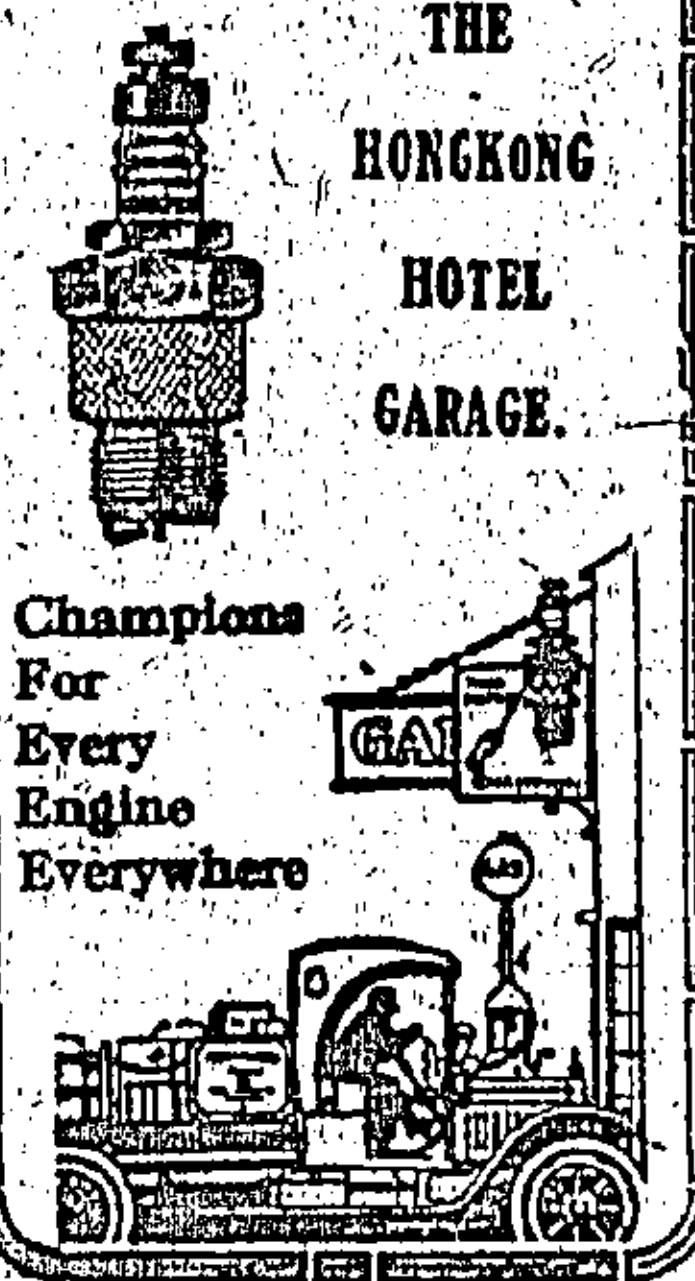
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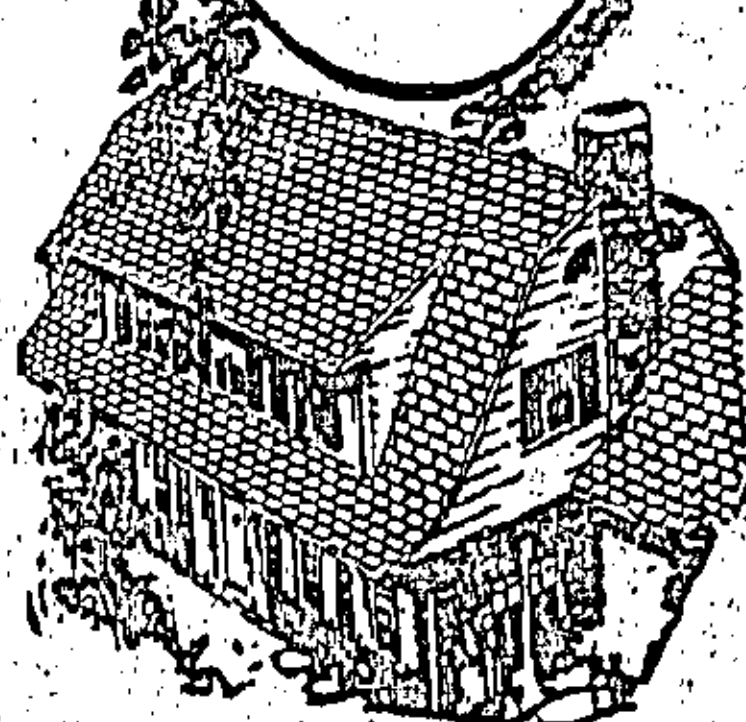


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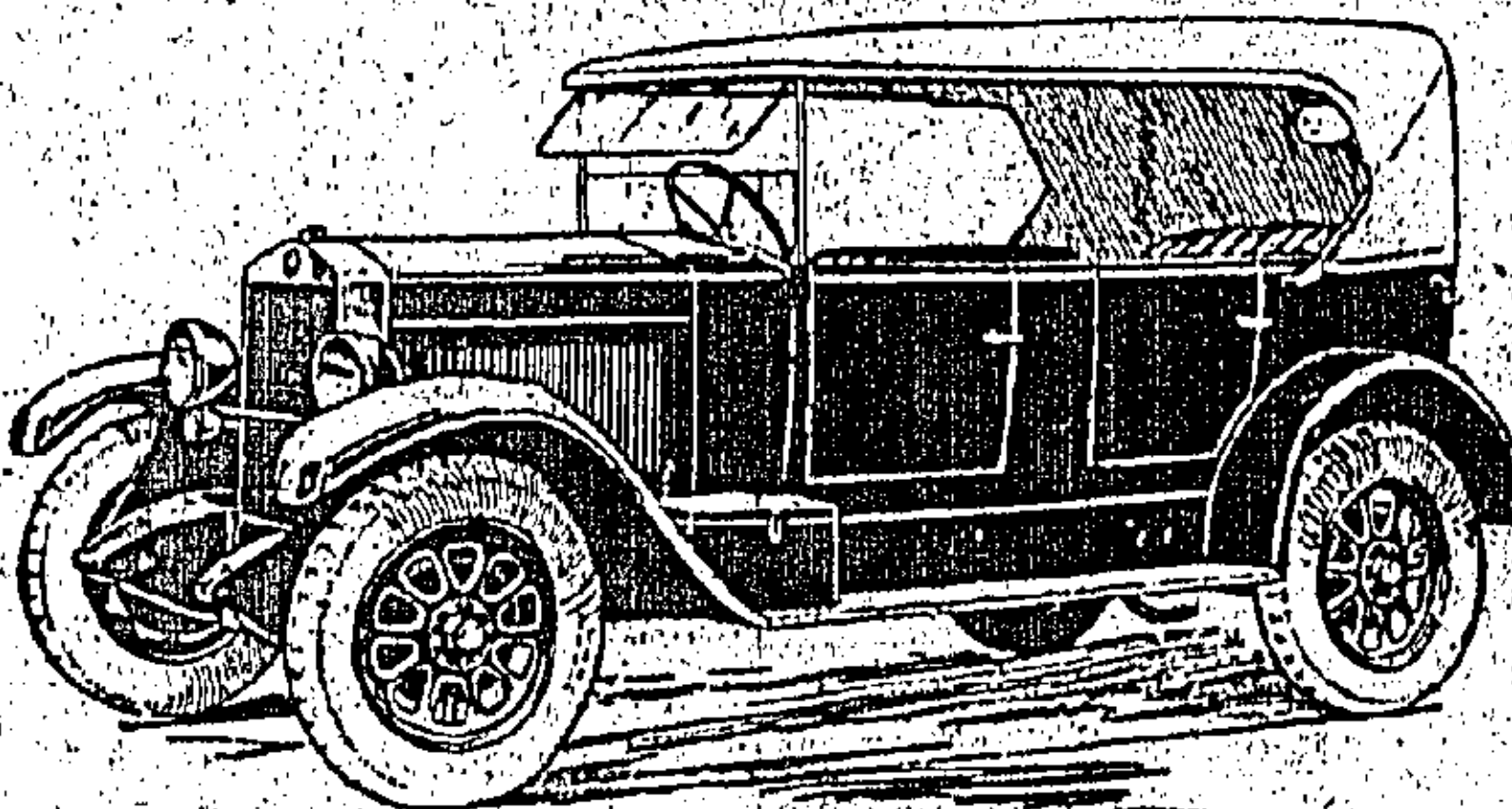
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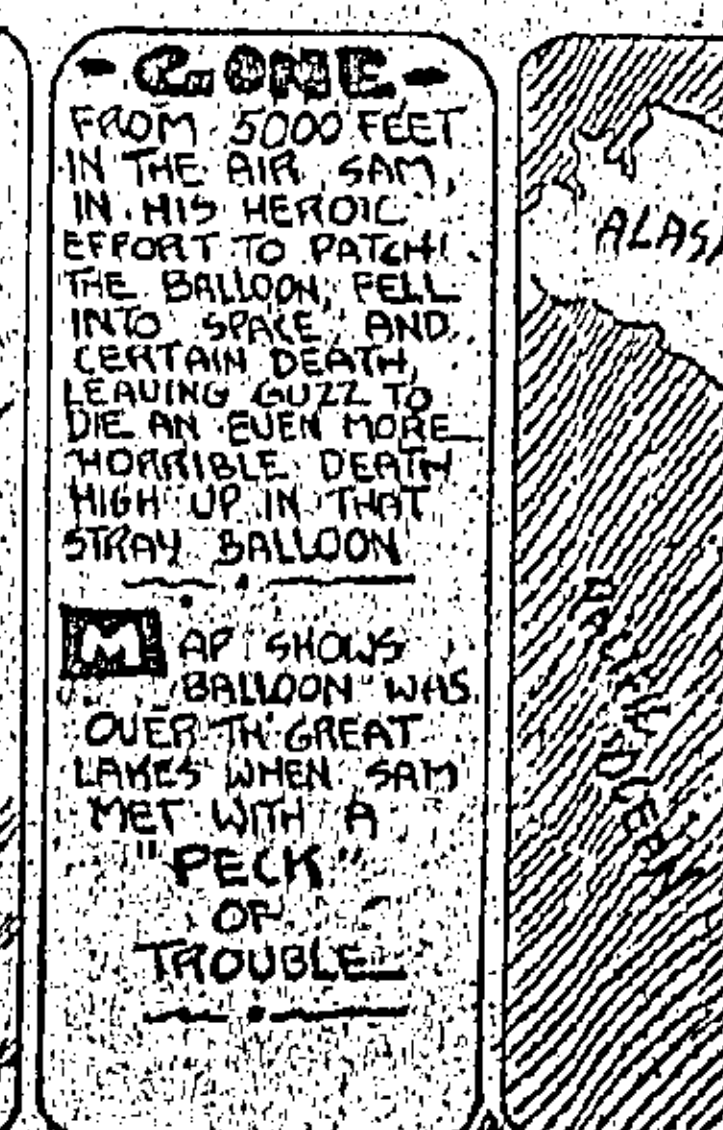
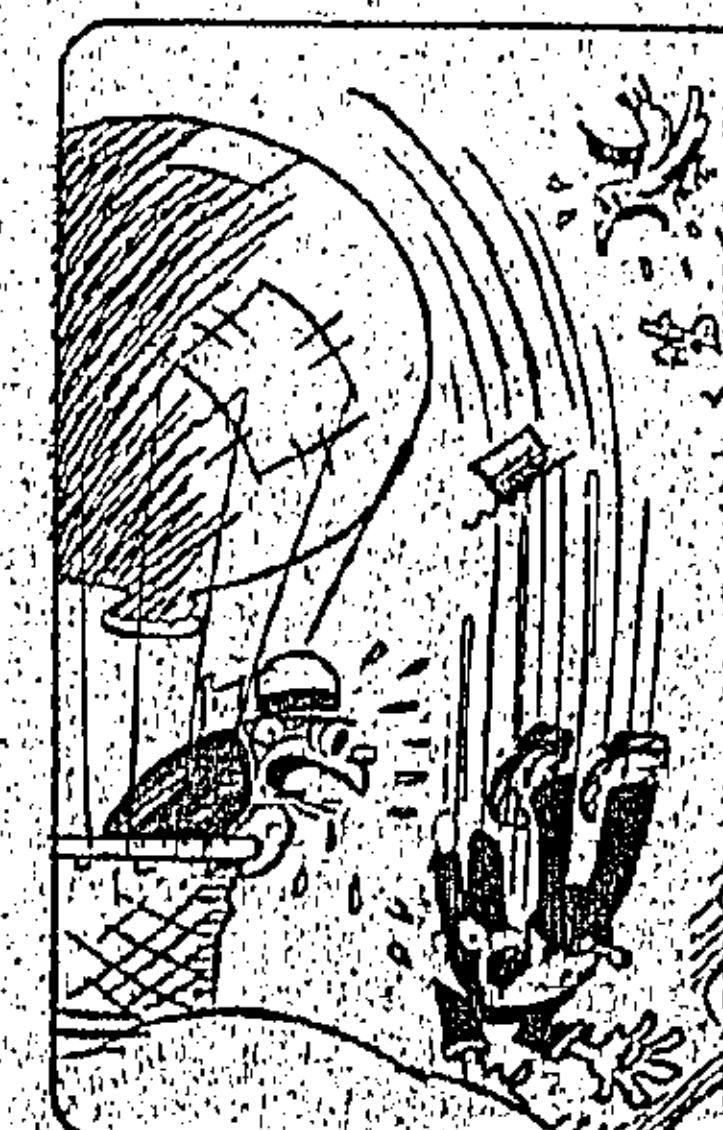
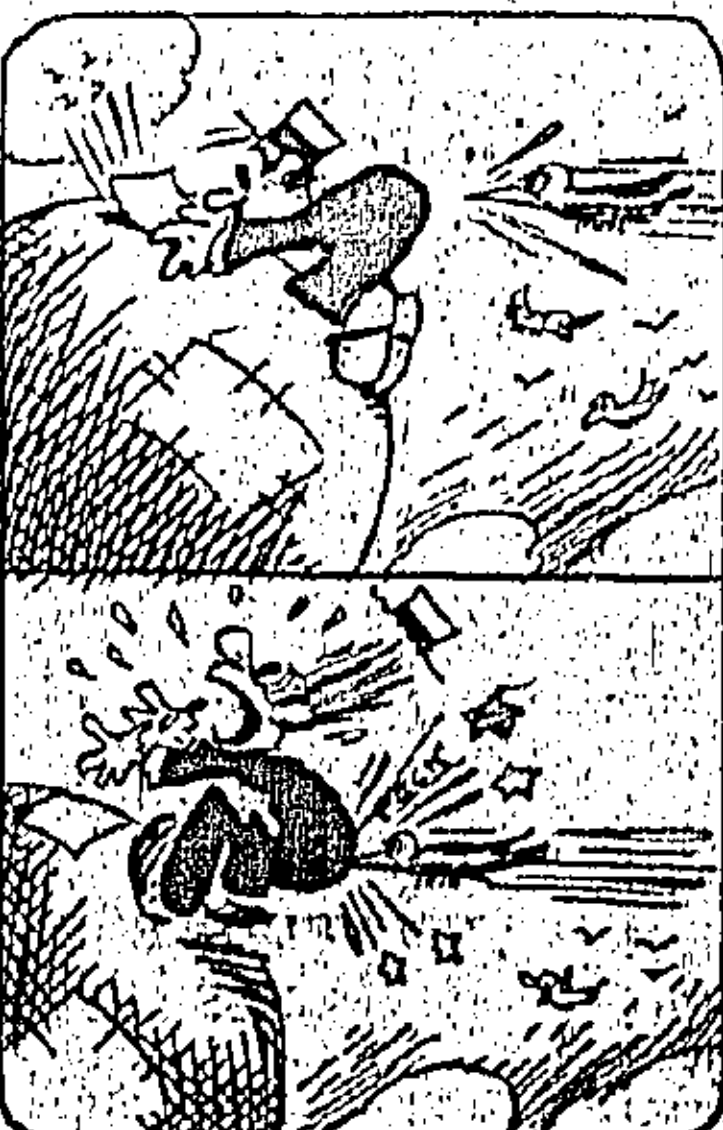
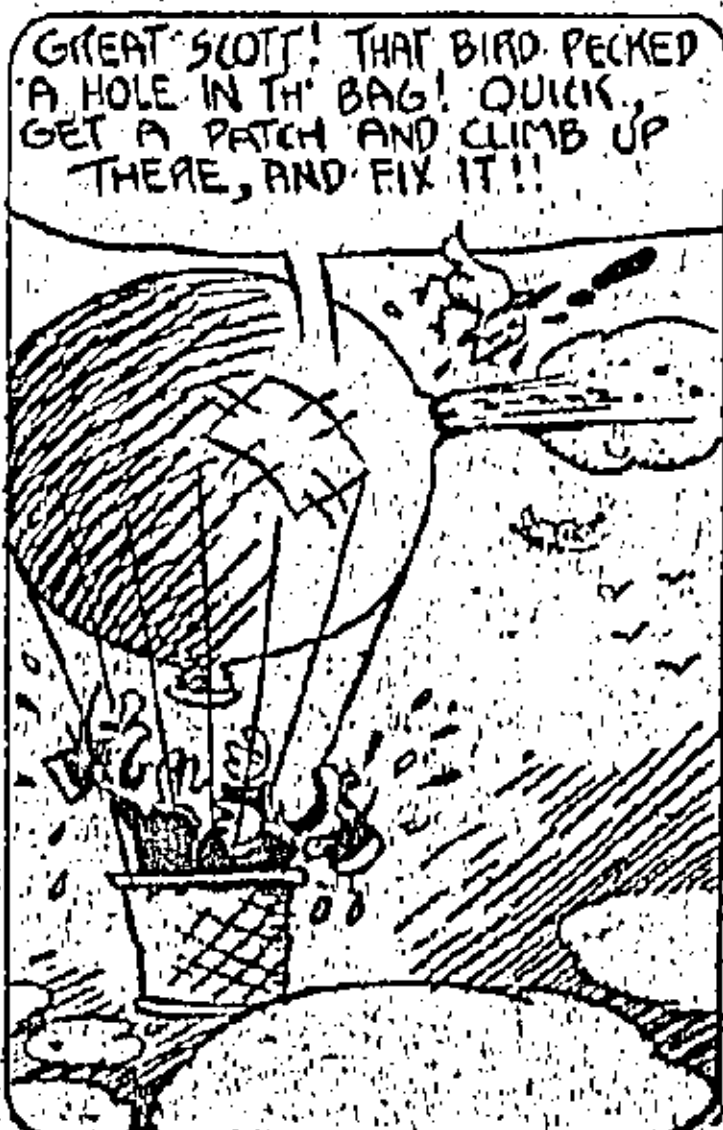
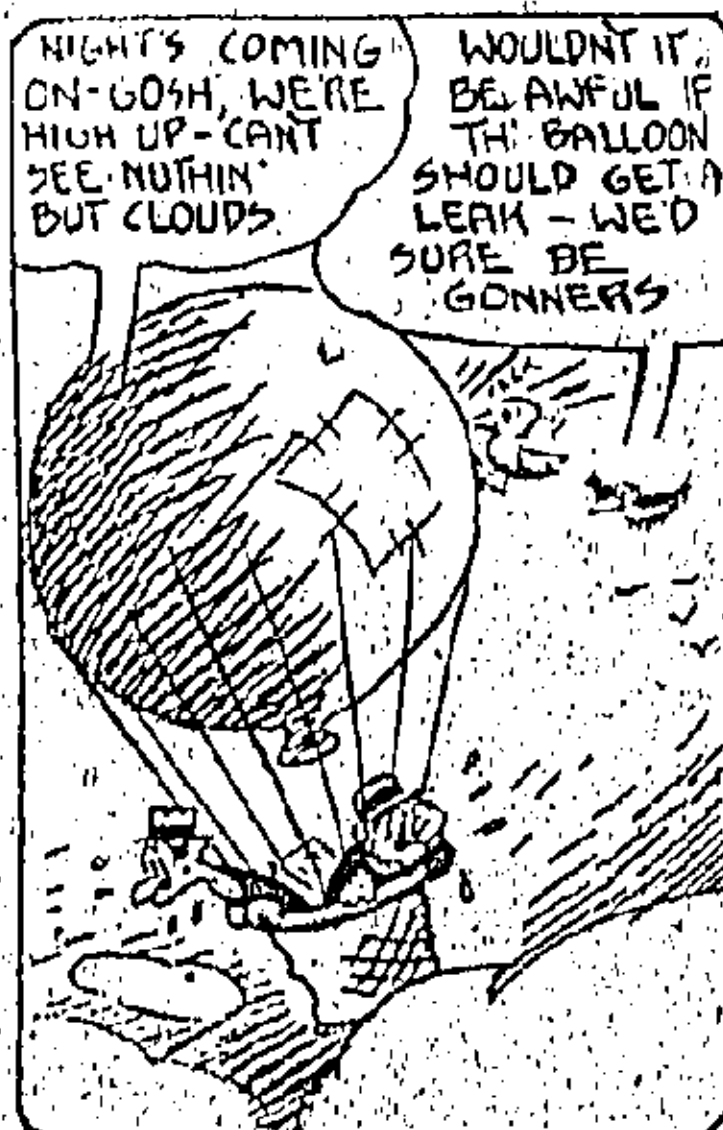
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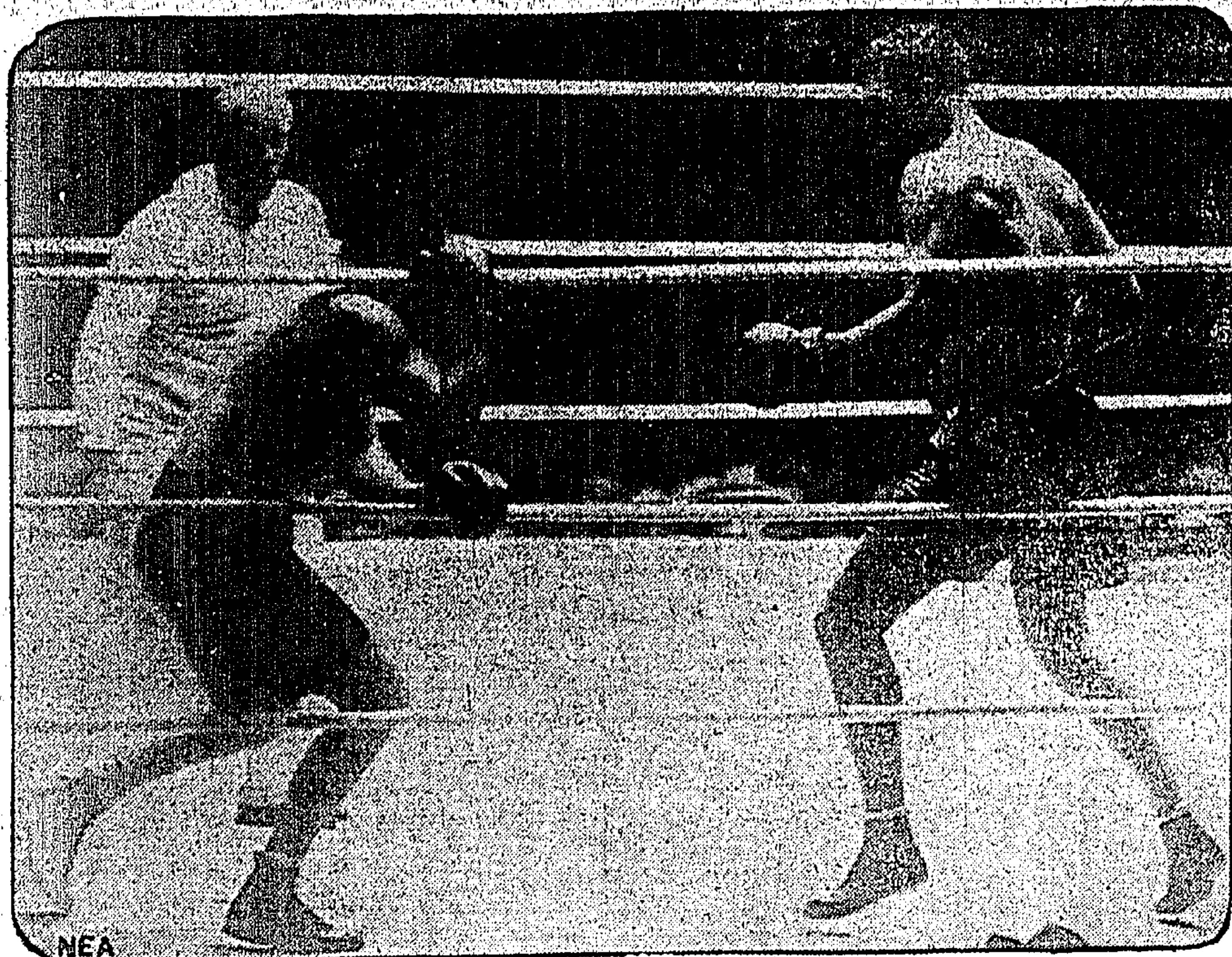


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DEMPSEY TUNNEY FIGHT.—Here is shown the one stage of the battle when victory lingered within the grasp of the now deposed heavyweight champion. In the fourth round, Dempsey put over a hard left hook which sent the challenger into the ropes, where he hung by both hands, unguarded and dizzy. Another such blow would have ended the battle but it did not come. An instant later, Tunney rallied and staggered Dempsey with a hard right.



LOST TITLE.—Bobby Jones, British Open Golf Champion, on Baltusrol links, Short Hills, U. S. A., where he was beaten in the National Amateur Championship by Von Elm.



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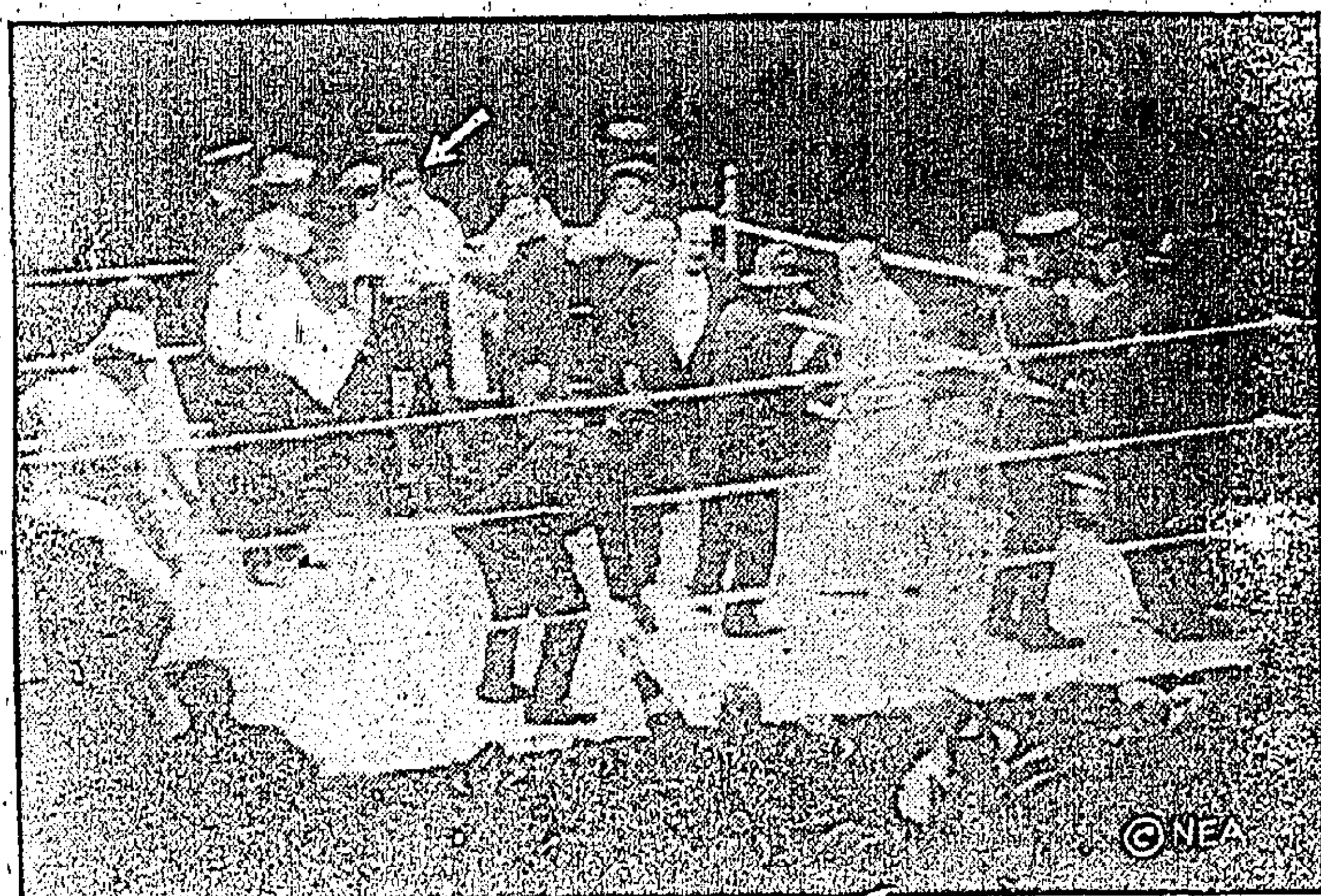
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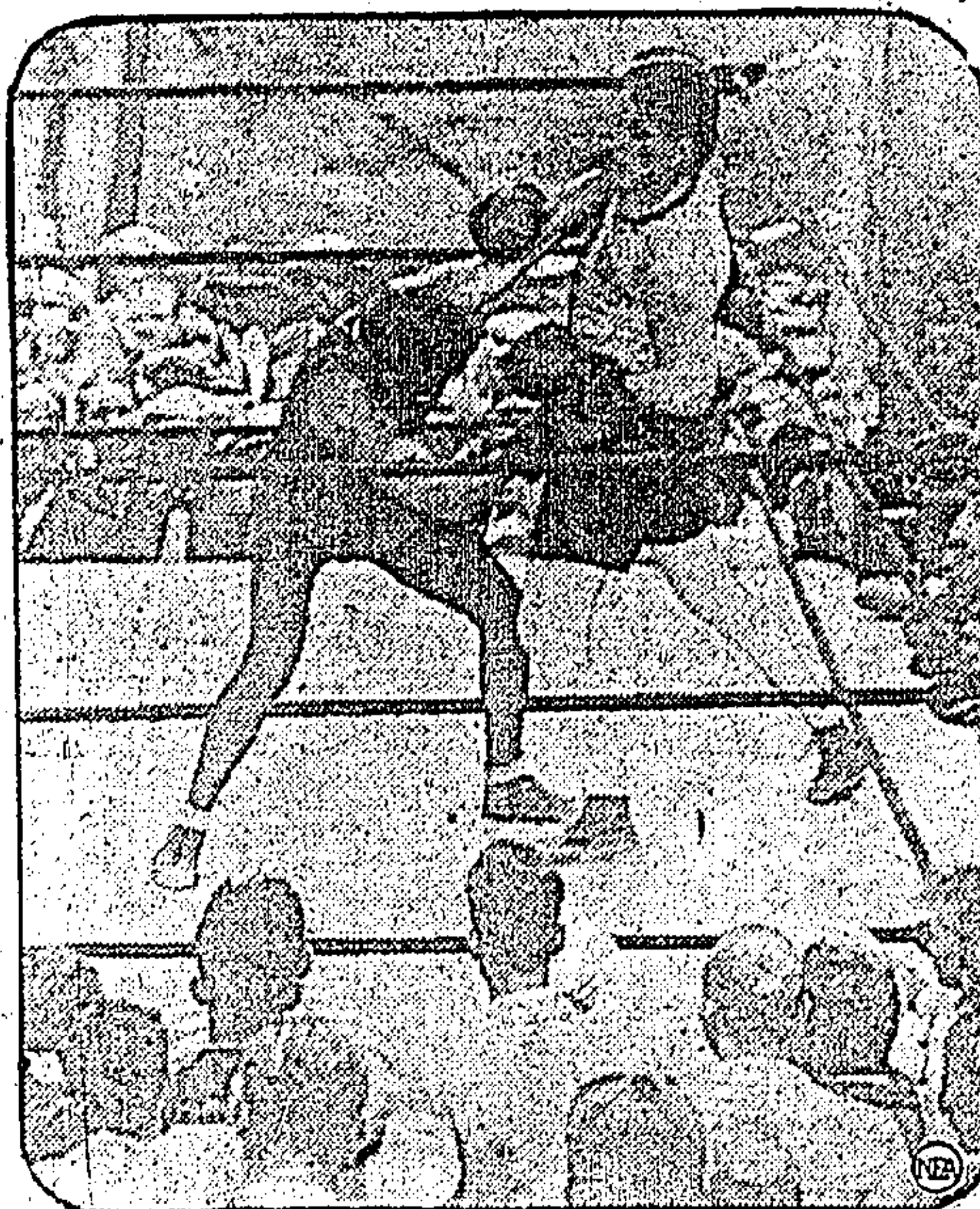
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END OF FIGHT.—Gene Tunney is crowned the new heavyweight champion of the world in the ring the stadium, Philadelphia. This picture shows the ring just as the decision was being announced. Arrow points to Gene.



STUDYING THE LEFT HOOK.—Gene Tunney, right, here is getting out of the way of a mean left hook aimed at his jaw by his training partner, Billy Vidabek, at the Stroudsburg, training camp, before the big battle.

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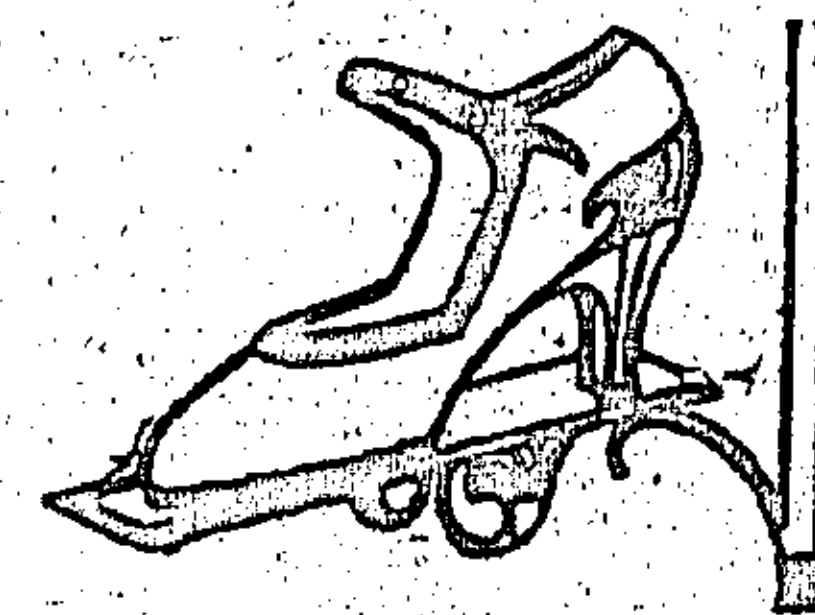
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MARINES PRESENTATION.—Gene Tunney, thanking Major General John A. Lejeune, commander-in-chief of the U. S. Marine Corps, for the bathrobe presented on behalf of the corps. Tunney is wearing the bathrobe.



NEW YORK WELCOMES TUNNEY.—Throngs surrounded the new heavyweight champion of the world when he returned to New York after his title-winning fight. Here he is at the city hall with Mayor James J. Walker on his left.

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TO LET.—A European FLAT, Anchal Gap Road, Hongkong. Apply to 32, Kennedy Road.

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JUMBLE SALES.

The Ladies of the Union Church Committee will be glad to receive any discarded articles, at the church hall any Saturday between the hours 10 a.m. and 12 noon, for their jumble sale which is to be held on Dec. 2nd for charitable purposes.

FOR SALE.

DOROTHY ROSS is offering her present stock of Ladies Afternoon, Evening Gowns, Cloaks, Hats, etc., at prices by much below cost to make room for further consignment of goods from Paris and London. Showing at No. 7, Duddell Street 2nd floor.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

It is hereby notified that the Registered Offices of the above-named Company have this day been removed to Exchange Building (4th Floor), 14, Des Voeux Road Central.

R. GUY WILKERSON, Secretary. Hongkong, 25th Oct. 1926.

FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES. SATURDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1926.

Saddling Bell, 3.00 p.m. First Race, 3.30 p.m.

Admission to Enclosure and Public Stands. Per Head, \$1.00

Motor Cars can be parked on the rail opposite the Grand Stand. Per Car, \$5.00

Members are advised that they must show their badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Special Express trains to the Races leave Kowloon 2.07 p.m. arriving Fanling 2.31 p.m.

First Class Return fare, \$1.50 Second Class Return fare, 0.90 Refreshments on the grounds.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & CANTON ICE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, 2nd Day of November, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1926.

The "TRANSFER BOOKS" of the Company will be CLOSED from 19th October to the 2nd November, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, J. D. THOMSON, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 16th October, 1926.

CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.

4, Duddell Street.

If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM. E. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on TUESDAY,

the 9th November, 1926, commencing at 9.30 a.m. (Interval between 12 noon and 2 p.m.)

At Royal Army Ordnance Depot, Queen's Road East and Royal Engineer's Yard, Wellington Barracks.

The Following Government Stores:

Gunmetal, Lead, Brass, Steel, Wood, Tentage, Cordage, Tools, Medical Appliances, Blankets, Khaki Drill Clothing, Great Coats, Boots, Shoemakers and Tailors Tools, Mining Gear, Telephone Appliances Nails, 40 Typewriting Machines, Wagons, Cables, Bolts and Nuts, Shovels, 1 Gt and 1 Dmghy, &c. &c.

Catalogues can be had at the Chief Foreman's Office R.A.O.C. Depot or from the Auctioneers. Terms of Sale: Cash on delivery. All faults and errors of description at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

All lots to be cleared within 7 days.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Ltd. Auctioneers. Hongkong, 27th Oct. 1926.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO. LTD.

and CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer

"KEEMUN"

From UNITED KINGDOM via

SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that the cargo will be discharged into the Wharf

Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at the Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 27th October.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon with the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd November will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 16th Nov. or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 27th October 1926.

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LAMBERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on FRIDAY,

the 29th October, 1926, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 5, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture,

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Matstand, Tapestry covered Couch and Chairs, Mantel Piece, etc., etc.

Teak Extension Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Dining Wagon, Ice Chest, etc., etc.

Teak Bedsteads with Mattresses, Teak Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Teak and Marble Top Top Washstand, Teak Chest of Drawers, etc., etc.

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Thursday, the 28th October, 1926.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMBERT BROS., Auctioneers.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

From DUNKIRK, ANTWERP,

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The Steamship,

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before 6.00 a.m. To-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday the 1st November, 1926 at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the Wednesday the 3rd November 1926 or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday morning the 1st November, 1926 at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. LIMAGE, Agent. Hongkong, 26th October, 1926.

An interesting experiment has been successfully concluded at Moorfields, City-road, London, the biggest eye hospital in the Empire. A year ago a tiny mercury vapour lamp was installed, and a clinic opened for treating blind patients, by ultra-violet rays.

During the year one hundred people have been treated, and the efficiency of the rays for this purpose, it is claimed, has been tested and proved. "It has been a most interesting experiment," said Mr. A. J. M. Tarrant, the secretary.

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We beg to announce that we are opening a most up-to-date "Ladies Beauty Parlour" on the first of November.

We have with us Madame Alma, who has just returned to the Colony bringing the latest equipment and methods in Beauty Culture.

Madame Alma will attend to all requirements in Beauty work and gentlemen requiring their nails well attended to should make appointments.

Madame Alma has had 9 years experience with hotel work, and has been at these Leading Hotels of the Far East: Grand Hotel, Yokohama; Astor House Hotel Shanghai; Rector Nanking Road, Shanghai; Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong; Alton Beauty Parlour (her own place) Hongkong; Manila Hotel, Manila; P. I. Madame Alma has just returned to the Colony after an absence of two years.

Agent:—

JOHN C. SMITH.

6th FLOOR, CHINA BUILDING.

Hongkong, 27th October 1926.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.

Hongkong, \$1.185 sa. Chartered, \$21 b. Mercantile A. & B., \$29 1/2 n. Mercantile C., \$13 1/2 n. P. and O., \$9 1/2 b. East Asia, \$84 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$630 b. China Underwriters, \$1.45 b. North China, \$15 n. Union Ins., 296 1/2 sa. Yanktze Ins., \$36 b.

Fire Ins.

China Firs., \$200 b. Hongkong Fire, \$610 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$30 b. Steamboats, \$29 b. Tugs, \$2 b. Indo-Chinas, (Prof.) \$30 b. Shell Trans., 90/- n. Star Ferries, \$67 s. Waterboats, \$15 b.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$24 1/2 b. Malabons, \$36 n.

Mining.

Benguets, \$1.50 b. Kailans, 40/- n. Langkats, \$15 n. S'hai Exploration, \$15.480 b. Shanghai Loans, \$15.900 b. Raubs, \$4 1/2 n. Troncha, \$0/- b. Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$125 1/2 n. Whampoa Docks, \$59 sa. Hongkew's, \$17 1/2 b. New Engineering, \$15.650 b. Shanghai Docks, \$15.123 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$10.25 b. H.K. Lands, \$55 n. Realty, \$6 sa. Territorials, \$4 n. Humphreys, \$16.25 s. Princes Bldgs, \$89 n. Rural Lands, \$11 n.

Cottons.

Ewes Cottons, \$15.980 b. Orientals, \$15.340 s. S'hai Cottons, \$15.54 b.

Buses, Trams.

China Buses, \$10 1/2 n. Tramways, \$24 1/2 b. Peak Trams, (old) \$15 1/2 n. S'hai Trams, 15/9 n. Taxis, \$2 s.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$13 b. Canton Ice, \$5 n. Cements (Comb.) \$13 1/2 s. China Lights, \$21 1/2 n. China Prov., \$6 s. Constructions, \$11 sa. Dairy Farms, \$19 n. Der A. Wing, \$6 s. H'kong Electric, \$53 1/2 sa. Macao Electric, \$35 n. Ropes (Comb.) \$26 s. Lane Crawfords, \$8 n. Mackintosh, \$19 1/2 n. Sinceres, \$10 1/2 s. United Asbestos, \$20 s. Watsons, \$14.50 b. Powells, \$6 1/2 n.

Reuter's Copenhagen correspondent says: An English woman tourist who got into difficulties in the harbour three days ago was rescued by an officer of the steamer Odin. The officer received a present of £1,000 from the family of the lady concerned.

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DANCE VOGUES.

CHANGES IN THE CHARLESTON.

The new dance season is being ushered in to the strains of the Charleston "fortrot," says a writer in the London Observer.

This is the dance of the moment. Despite the protest of the sedate and the old-fashioned, the newest "higger" dance has caught the fancy of the younger generation who make the dance fashions. The writer continues:

"The dance of the moment, however, is not the twisting, wild, fantastic dance that so annoyed the elder hostesses when it appeared and was banned in several of the fashionable dance-restaurants and clubs. It is a modified version. The side-kick, which tended to produce a crop of hacked shins and torn stockings, has been eliminated. The offending foot need scarcely be raised from the floor now. Practised dancers have discovered that all the joys of the novel rhythm can be experienced by a switch-over to a sort of hesitating staccato step, innocent, if need be, even of the peculiar foot-twist which has become the characteristic symptom of the new dance. It is, in essence, just a new variation which can be imported into the foxtrot at will. You can, if you are a skilful Charlestoner, drop from smooth foxtrot into staccato Charleston, and back again as exigencies of floor space, band tempo, and caprice dictate.

And this new dance is going to dominate the ballrooms, if the dancing I have seen through July and August in country houses in Yorkshire and the western and eastern Highlands of Scotland, in smart dance restaurants in Town, at the Cafe de Paris, Ciro's, the Pre Catalan, the Pavillon d'Armstrongville and the Ritz dinner dances in Paris, in the Casino ballroom at Deauville, and at the

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IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

IRELAND'S PROSPECTS.

Rugby, Oct. 26.
The Irish Free State Minister for Justice, Mr. Kevin O'Higgins, last night paid a warm tribute to the part played by Lord Birkenhead in achieving an Irish settlement, and welcomed the opportunity of declaring publicly that at a critical period during the negotiations for the Irish Treaty he had proved himself a real and sincere friend of Ireland.

Mr. O'Higgins added that Ireland was going ahead peacefully putting behind her all bitter and evil memories, and was building up a State that would be worthy of those who signed the treaty.

Lord Birkenhead, who with Mr. O'Higgins and the Prime Minister of Newfoundland, were the guests of the Irish Club in London, devoted his speech to the development of various Dominions through difficulties, doubts and uncertainties to full nationhood. The last few years had presented greater problems than ever before.

South African Aspirations
In South Africa they had the advantage of being confronted by two very remarkable men, Generals Botha and Smuts—great South Africans who nevertheless took the view that the proper course was to bury remote and useless animosities, and to co-operate in a movement wherein the British and Dutch South Africans might work together.

He did not believe that South Africa's distinguished representative at the present Conference, General Hertzog, differed in essentials, as apart from words, from the views of those who had attempted to recompose the elements of bitter difference. He added, "I do not see in the formula which Gen. Hertzog uses any suggestion of a difference which could not be composed within the limits of that freedom which is the very meaning and essence of the Imperial relation."
—British Wireless.

SINGAPORE'S TRADE.

LARGE INCREASE SHOWN IN HALF YEAR.

The total declared value of the trade of Singapore in merchandise for the first half of the year shows an increase of \$203 million over that of the same period for 1925, or 27 1/2 per cent. Of this total, exports were \$144 million and imports \$161 million.

The total declared value of merchandise exported amounted to nearly \$663 million, an increase over the same period for 1925 of \$144 million or about 28 per cent. Rubber was responsible for about 897 million, rice, copra, tin, and cotton piece goods also helping to swell the total.

The quantity of rubber exported increased by over 10,000 tons, or nearly 9 per cent, advance.

The total declared value of merchandise imported for the half year 1926, amounted to \$766 million, being an increase of \$101 million or 27 per cent, rubber, rice motor cars, and cotton piece goods being mainly responsible.

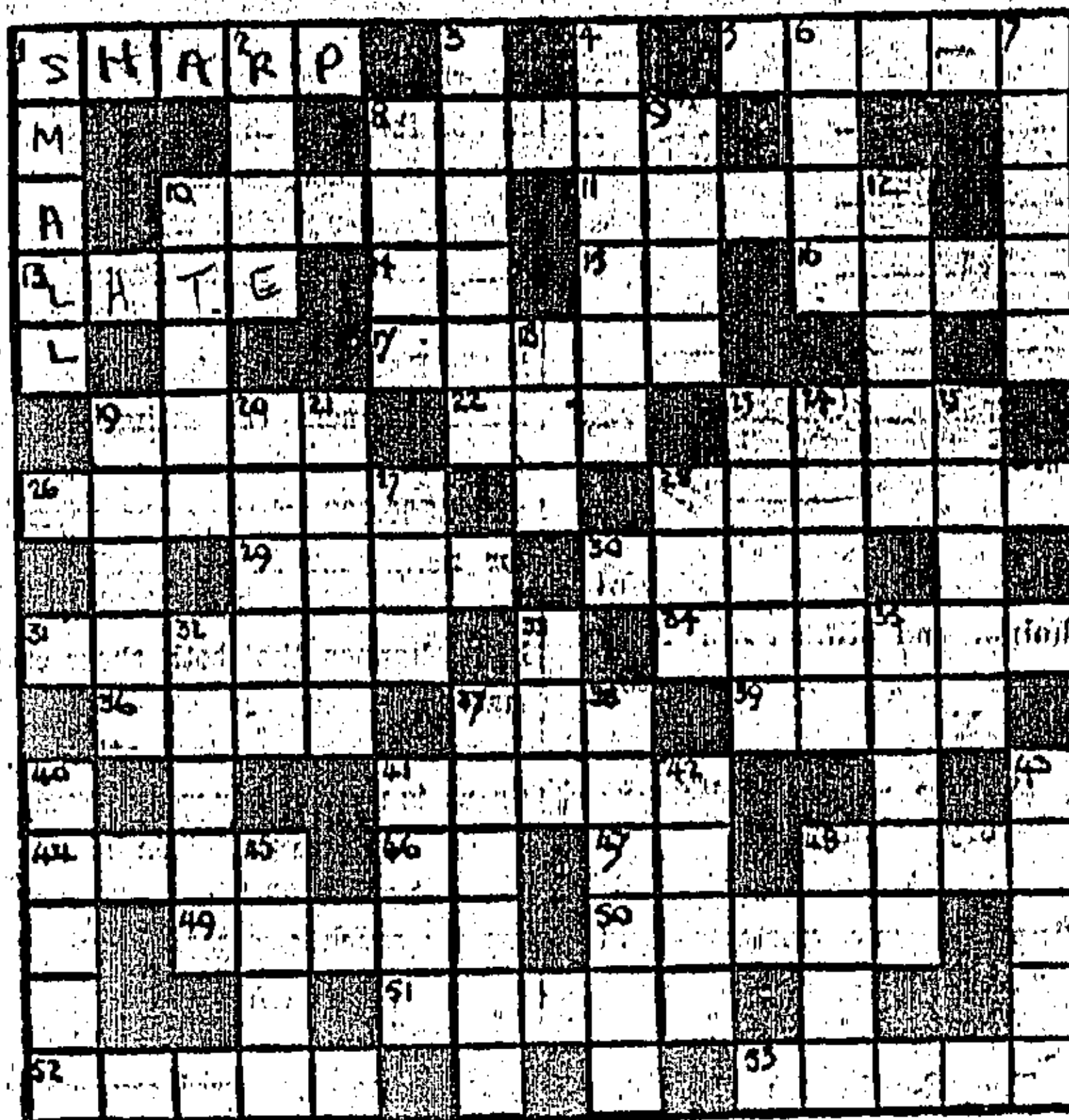
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SUCCESSFUL FRENCH EFFORT.

Paris, Oct. 26.
According to the Echo de Paris the total appreciated currencies bought by the French Treasury, thanks to the steady rise of the franc, would exceed four billions of paper francs.

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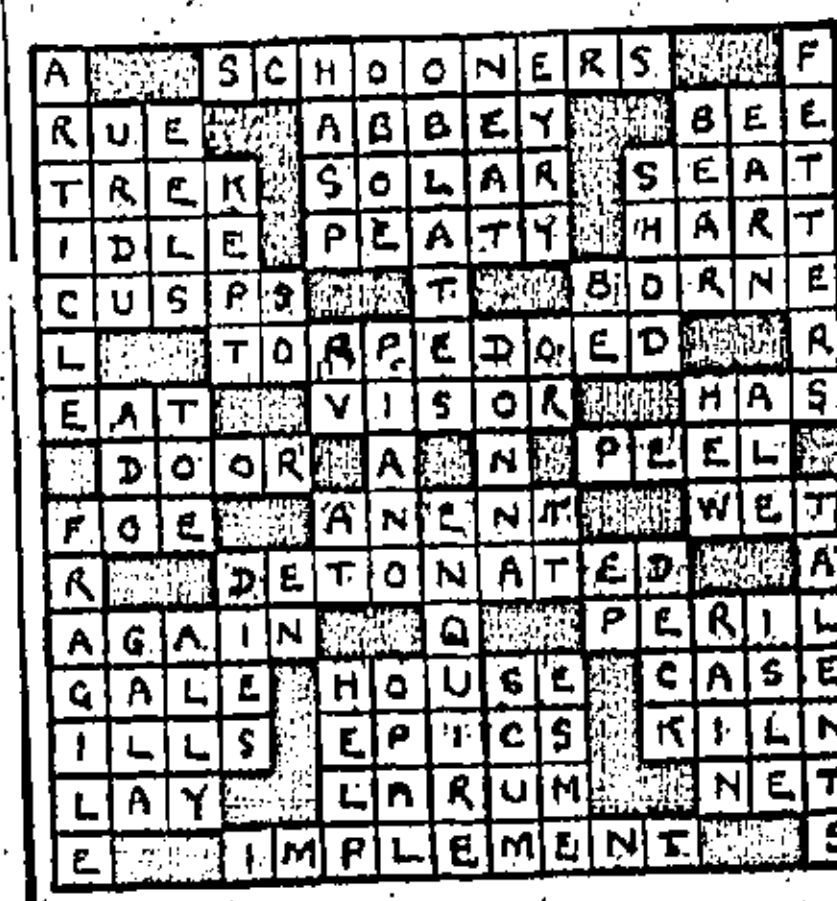
- 1 Keen edged.
- 2 Scorp.
- 3 More than.
- 4 Be erect.
- 5 Division in church.
- 6 Not early.
- 7 Connected with, magnetic force.
- 8 Perform.
- 9 Narrative.
- 10 Stupely.
- 11 Planet.
- 12 At this moment.
- 13 Used for flavouring.
- 14 Say again.
- 15 Become visible.
- 16 Celestial body.
- 17 Run away.
- 18 Indian trader.
- 19 Record.
- 20 Watertail.
- 21 Protector for child's dress.
- 22 Unit of force.
- 23 Rich milk.
- 24 Parts of fish.
- 25 First class.
- 26 Shows motion towards.
- 27 Perch.
- 28 Class of expression.
- 29 Rear and instruct.
- 30 Brightness.
- 31 Tray.
- 32 Plants.

Down.

- 1 Little.
- 2 Ceremony.
- 3 Abrupt.
- 4 Grassy field.
- 5 Dissolve.
- 6 Small candle.
- 7 Journeyman shoemaker.
- 8 Tumult.

- 10 Strip of leather.
- 12 Bird of prey.
- 18 Male child.
- 19 Broken stone.
- 20 Hardened juice of pines.
- 21 Devil.
- 22 Waste.
- 23 Collection of apes.
- 24 Article of furniture.
- 25 Make brown.
- 26 Beverage.
- 27 Number in plural.
- 28 Pastry.
- 29 Vegetable.
- 30 Brilliant.
- 31 Beat with violence.
- 32 Apparel.
- 33 Vessels for liquors.
- 34 Morning.
- 35 Tears.
- 36 Soil.
- 37 Fibre of wool.

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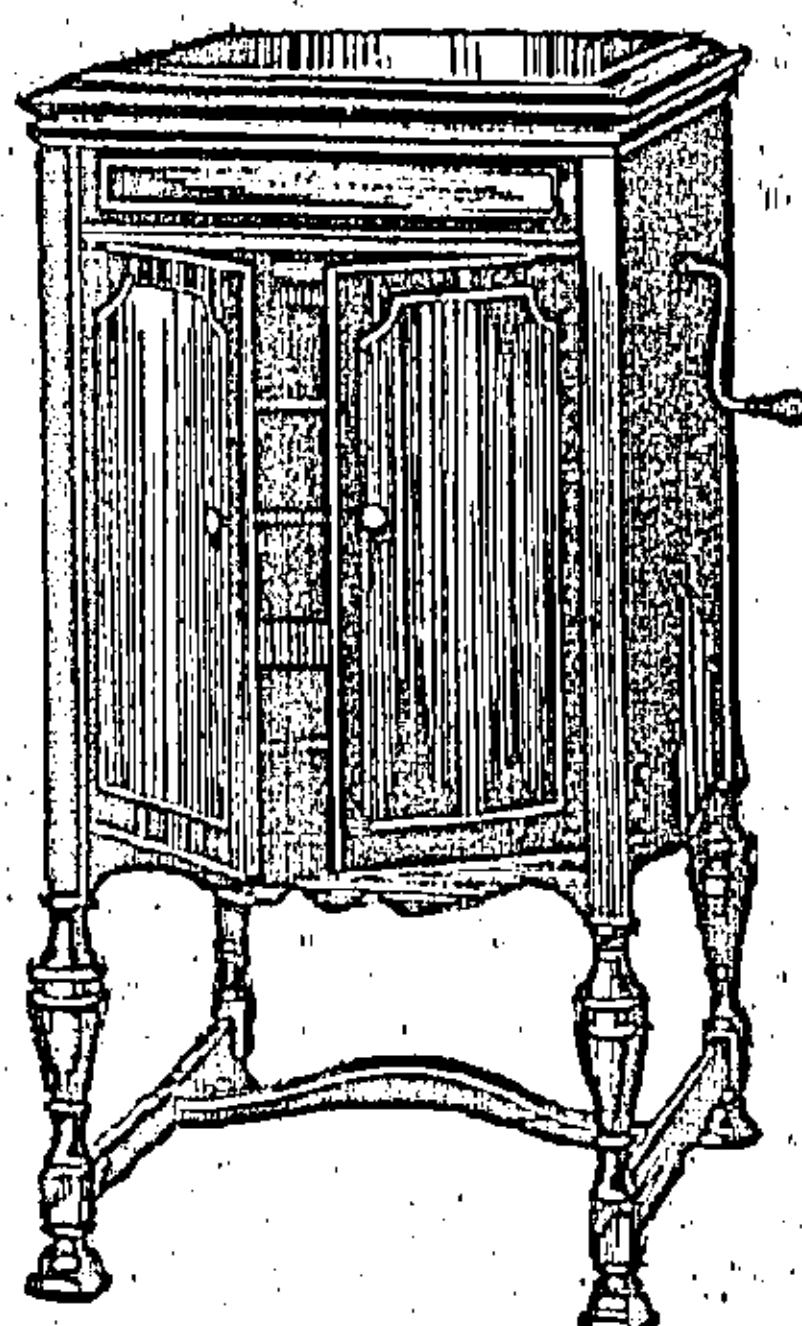
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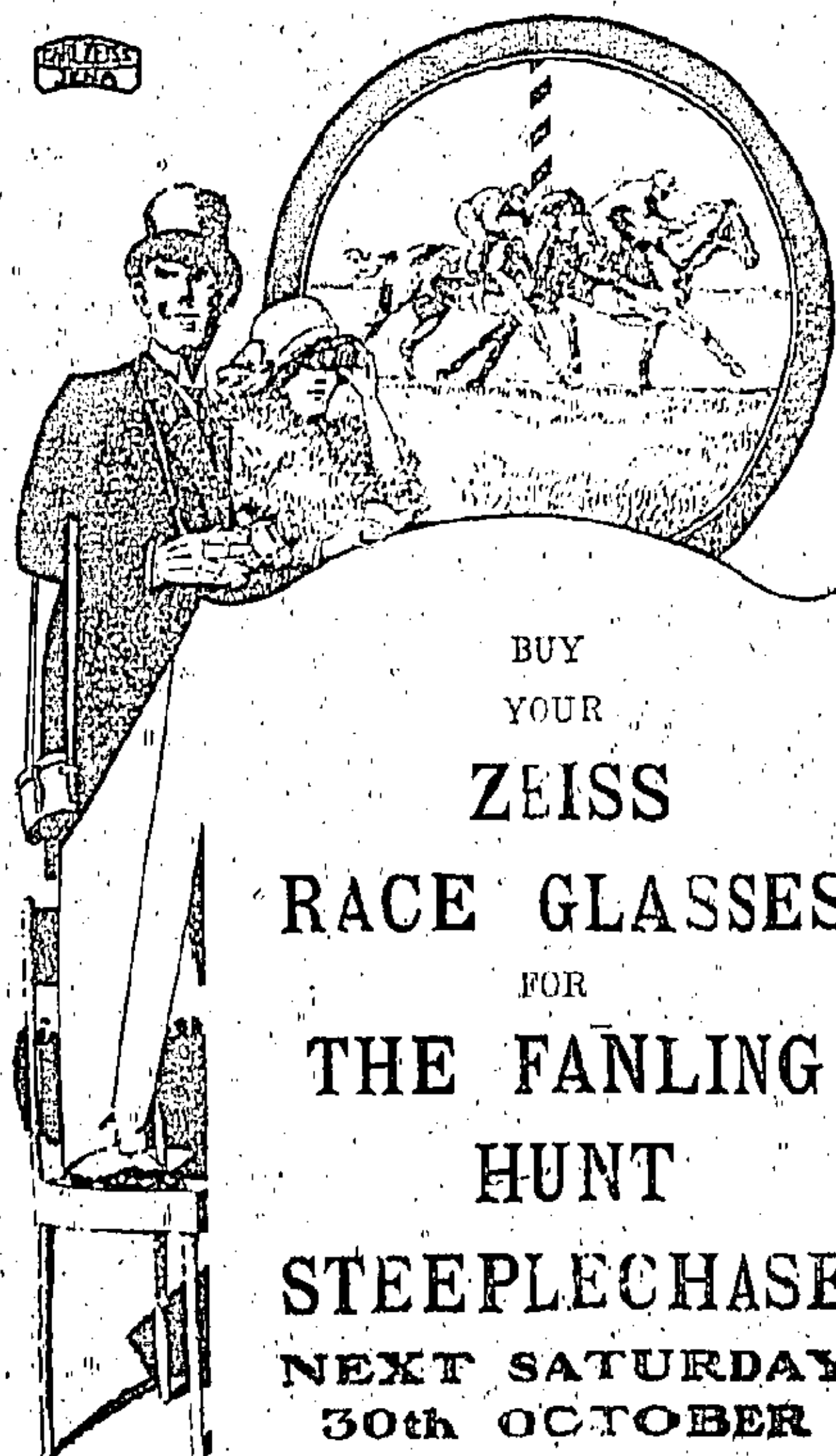
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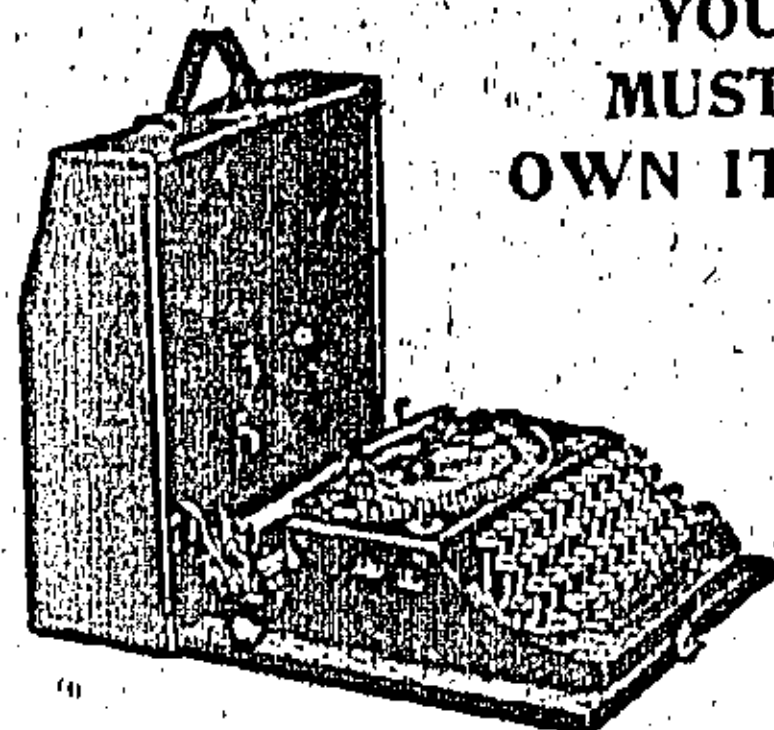
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OPIUM REVENUES.

Our friends down in Singapore are looking forward much more seriously than we in this Colony regarding the eventual shrinkage in the smoking of opium and the consequent depletion of the Colony's revenue. The Geneva convention is taken at its full face value and the recent announcement by the Indian Government regarding diminution of exports is looked upon as spelling a big decrease in the opium smoking of the Straits Settlement. And inasmuch as in former years the Government's revenue from the opium trade has been a very substantial proportion of the whole, the Legislature of the southern Colony is already looking round for alternative sources of income. A special fund of \$30,000,000 has already been established and there is a proposal to apply ten per cent. of next year's revenue to the same fund. The Chamber of Commerce, although it has held a special meeting and heard long argument, is unable to make up its mind whether it is best to take ten per cent. of next year's revenue or whether the surplus under the Currency Guarantee Fund could immediately be used. As time goes on there will doubtless be a clarifying of opinion and the Straits Settlements authorities will formulate financial proposals to meet the case. But the prospect is a serious one, as indeed is any problem for the raising of more money by means of taxation. Fortunately, Malaya is enjoying a period of much prosperity and there ought not to be too loud a protest against providing more revenue if and when the receipts from opium fall to any appreciable extent.

We in Hongkong have been living for several years under the threat of decreased consumption, but that has not yet come. Curiously enough there was no mention of opium in the Budget speech of last year or in the speech delivered by the Colonial Secretary just over a week ago. The last reference to the matter in the Legislative Council was in October 1924, when Sir Edward Stubbs, in explaining the low estimate of opium revenue, said that it had purposely been placed at a low figure in the hope—unfortunately unrealised—that conditions in China would improve to such an extent as to admit

of steps being taken to suppress the growth of opium and thus make it possible for this Colony to introduce measures for the reduction of consumption without their being stultified by an increase in illicit importation. We notice that in the Budget now before the Legislative Council, the estimated revenue from opium this year is put at \$3,500,000 whereas the revenue for next year is estimated to be only \$3,000,000. It will most probably happen that both these estimates will be exceeded because there is as yet no indication that China is making any well-organised effort to reduce the traffic in opium, without which we in Hongkong cannot do much else than now—control the sale and make the price as prohibitive as possible. India's programme of reduced exportation will undoubtedly affect the situation, but we do not (and, neither, apparently does the Hongkong Government) anticipate any disconcerting quick drop in the revenue derived from the Opium Monopoly. There has been a policy of raising other revenue to make good the expected shrinkage, and the increased Stamp Duties were a case in point. Out of a total estimated revenue next year of just over \$20,000,000, only \$3,000,000, or 15 per cent., is expected to come from opium. As an individual item it is exceeded by Assessed Taxes and also Stamp Duties, whilst it is also less than the combined Liquor and Tobacco Duties. Our Government is fully alive to the need of devising new sources of income to replace the opium revenue, but the present position does not, we think, merit all the anxiety being displayed in the southern Colony.

Party Tendencies.

To the student of British politics there is much that is interesting in the decision of Commander Kenworthy to leave the ranks of the Liberal Party and to join hands with Labour. This is so because the step taken is indicative of the dissatisfaction which at present prevails amongst various politicians in regard to the existing grouping of parties and their relative strength in Parliament. It would appear that the Liberal Party is still in the doldrums, and it seems very doubtful whether its fortunes will be revived in the near future. All the same, its very existence gives the Conservatives an advantage, for there is always the possibility, in elections, of a splitting of what may be termed the Progressive vote, with a distinct gain to the party now in power. In some respects it is a matter for regret that the Liberals continue to count for so very little, because times were when its principles attracted a large body of people who preferred the midway course in politics, being neither partial to the extremes of Socialism or of Toryism. However, there has in latter years been a considerable modifying of "platforms," and to-day we scarcely know the parties by their old names. It will be all to the good, however, if there is a reversion to the two-party system, and events certainly seem to be tending in that direction. If the Liberals do not emerge from their present lowly state, the probabilities are that Labour will grow in strength by a gradual absorption of men like Commander Kenworthy, who have become tired of a colourless political existence. Possibly, Mr. Lloyd George may one day drift to the Labourites, although as time creeps on he may not feel disposed to re-commence his political career, which is what secession from the party to which he has always belonged would actually mean.

Resealing of the will of the late Mr. John Fraser has been granted in the Supreme Court. Deceased was formerly of Shanghai and died in Dublin on October 20, 1925. In Hongkong he left estate valued at \$28,000, and in England £1920. He left a large estate in Shanghai the death duties on which amounted to £1428. In the same court resealing of the will of the late John Reddie Black, formerly of Ceylon, has also been granted. Deceased died in Falmouth on October 19, 1925. He left estate in Hongkong valued at \$45,000 and in England £49,473 and also an estate in Colombo.

DAY BY DAY.

THEY, THAT WILL NOT BE COUNSELLED CANNOT BE HELPED.—*Franklin.*

The health return for yesterday shows one Chinese case of diphtheria.

The local weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—East or variable winds, moderate to light; fine.

The Central Fire Brigade is now established in the new station in the recently-constructed Government Building.

The master of a junk was fined \$26 for failing to obtain a licence and \$15 for being under way without exhibiting regulation lights, at the Marine Court to-day.

Passengers arriving in the Colony yesterday by the s.s. *Arara* en route for Australia were Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Evans, Mr. D. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Johnson.

The master of the s.s. *Wong Shek Kung*, which arrived in Harbour from the South, reports severe weather. His vessel was badly buffeted, but sustained little damage.

Fourteen vessels arrived and an equal number departed in the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. to-day. The total number of ships in Harbour is 63, of which 29 are British.

Wong Shing, a tea hawker, living in an unnumbered tea house at Kam Tim market, Au Tau district, New Territories, has reported to the police that at about 10.30 last night three men broke in, assaulted him and other occupants, and stole money, jewellery, and clothing to the value of \$138.

The annual sale of work of the Industrial Institution for the blind takes place at St. John's Cathedral Hall, on Thursday, beginning at 10 a.m. and concluding at 5 p.m. All kinds of hand-knitted articles, socks, shawls, jersey suits, cardigans, jumpers, dolls, babies' woollies, etc., will be on sale. Tea will be provided during the afternoon while the blind girls will sing.

Those who did not see "The Black Pirate," featuring Douglas Fairbanks, when shown about a month ago, should lose no opportunity of seeing this stirring story of buccannery days, which is again being shown at the Queen's Theatre for to-day only, the first repeat show being given yesterday. The story is one big thrill from beginning to end and it is in a new and most effective colour process.

RUBBER SHARES.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

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MACAO FAIR.

HONGKONG VISITORS EXPECTED.

We draw our readers' attention to the advertisement regarding the Macao Fair which appears elsewhere in this issue.

It is the first industrial exhibition in the long history of Macao, which, as our readers know, harks back to the 16th Century. Hongkong, the great commercial centre of the Far East, will be interested in the industrial products of her near neighbour, and relaxation will be afforded by the numerous amusements provided for the public. We are sure that many will seize the opportunity of spending a few days at the "Pearl of the Orient."

CORRESPONDENCE.

SIR HENRY POLLOCK'S SPEECH.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—The lecture given by Dr. Rufus Jones at the Cathedral Hall, though exceptionally brilliant, was marred by the unnecessary remarks of the Chairman (Sir Henry Pollock), who ruthlessly condemned students in China for their supposed Bolshevik ideas. If these remarks were intentional, then it is very surprising that Sir Henry should have been asked to take the chair; if, on the contrary, they were unintentional, it only shows how tactless the Chairman was, as there were several Chinese ladies and gentlemen present.

The meeting was of a non-political nature, and, as such, the scathing remarks of Sir Henry Pollock were entirely out of place, and it is a real wonder that the audience managed to subdue their righteous ire.

I admit that China is rife with Bolshevism, but is Bolshevism not widespread in other parts of the world too? The situation is very deplorable, but such a catastrophe can hardly be averted. Sir Henry Pollock talks in such a way as if he had been associated with Chinese diplomatic circles for time and again. I admire his courage, because the many foreign diplomats who have been intimately associated with Chinese politics for a long period (at any rate longer than Sir Henry) have not dared to rush in where angels fear to tread.

Sir Henry sees the outward appearance of the Chinese nation, and not the inward. Can he therefore say, authentically and confidently, that China is hand-in-hand with the Bolsheviks? I am afraid Sir Henry suffers from delusions. I do not blame him, for where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise.

Sir Henry said in his concluding remarks:—"They (the Chinese) seemed to have given up that reverence for their elders," etc., etc. May I ask Sir Henry to cite examples of this, and, if he can, does he blame the nation or does

THIEF CAUGHT.

LARCENIES AT QUARRY BAY.

Described as a rascal and a scallavag, a Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, to answer three charges of larceny. He was charged with stealing five pieces of clothing from the servants' quarters at No. 2, Sea View, Quarry Bay; the larceny of an umbrella from the servants' quarters at No. 1, Sea View, and the theft of four pieces of clothing from No. 10, Stanley Terrace.

It appeared that the defendant asked for the loan of clothes, but this was refused, and the clothes were eventually stolen. He was arrested wearing a stolen coat, and as the result of enquiries being made at the other houses, the other larcenies were traced. It was stated that the defendant had lived with the complainants for short times, staying with each one in turn, and it was alleged that he had intimidated them. He also stole the umbrella and pawned it.

Describing him as a wastrel, Mr. Lindsell sentenced defendant to a month's imprisonment on each charge, the sentences to run consecutively, and recommended him for banishment.

he blame the individuals themselves? Sir Henry apparently sympathises with the Chinese nation, in their efforts to bring about a new civilisation, but I am afraid that, from his remarks, the bitterness with which he delivered them over-rides his apparent sympathy.

It is very easy for anyone to give advice, but it is difficult to put it into practice. Sir Henry talks of civil wars and multitudinous troubles in China. If he were a keen historian, he would see that no powerful nation can ever attain universal potency unless it has gone through severe ordeals like civil wars. The histories of France and America bear witness to this. And it is so also in the case of China. In conclusion, I hope that in future Sir Henry will think before he leaps.—Yours, etc.

Hongkong, Oct. 26th, 1926.

The Very Idea!

It is not only in Malaya chemists make occasional mistakes in dispensing drugs and medicines, says a Singapore Paper. Recently an instance occurred in Birmingham. Over a million listeners in English homes were amazed when they heard the following come over the wireless: "Mr. Penn, don't take those pills." It appears that a Birmingham chemist had supplied a Mr. Penn with pills containing one-fourth grain of strychnine instead of one-fortieth of a grain. He did not find out his mistake until some little time had elapsed after the sale. Naturally the chemist was in a great state of perturbation when he realised what had been done. Not only was his own reputation at stake, but death in the shape of the solid pills was stalking abroad. After sending his appeal to be wireless and arranging for it to be put on every cinema screen throughout the country, he started in and telegraphed the message to every Penn in the country, taking the addresses from the directory. As time went on and no reply was received, the chemist's hopes of saving the unfortunate "Mr. Penn's" life lessened and lessened. Finally, it was the Press which came to the rescue. The purchaser of the pills, reading details of the mistake in a local newspaper, telegraphed to the chemist that he has not taken any of the pills, and so all ended happily. When the numerous pitfalls surrounding dispensing are taken into consideration, it is remarkable, not that errors occur, but that so few are made.

The hat he bought was much too large. His wife was near in tears. "That's only good," said she, "to keep The wind out of your ears." An appropriate sequence of headlines from some recent papers: TWO SISTERS SHOT DEAD. SEVEN SISTERS SAVED. But that is not the only queer

suggestion of duplication in the recent news. Mr. Hilder, of the London Postal Service, has had some difficulty in persuading the police that he is alive; while Mrs. Susannah Bevan has been sent to gaol for pretending that she was dead. It would have rounded off the chapter if some one, being dead, had tried to persuade the world that he was alive; but that consummation is not possible owing to the fact of the House of Lords being on vacation.

For an hour a teacher had dwelt with painful iteration on the part played by carbohydrates, proteins, proteids, and fats respectively in the upkeep of the human body. At the end of the lesson the usual test questions were put, among them: "Can any girl tell me the three foods required to keep the body in health?" There was silence till one maiden held up her hand and replied: "Yer breakfast, yer dinner, and yer tea."

The L.C.C. school recently opened at Tooting is the last word. It contains: A large, well-lighted library. Three science laboratories. Art room. Handicraft room. Well-equipped gymnasium. Assembly and dining hall. Cricket pitches. Two football grounds. Tennis courts. Sports bath, beautifully tiled, and equipped with a hot and cold shower. And it is hoped that the boys will have time to learn a little spelling. The London telephone directory has increased in size and weight with such rapidity that it soon will be too heavy for the chains that hold it to the boxes in call offices. The new volume contains 320,000 names and has 1866 pages. It weighs four and one-half pounds.

NEW COAL STRIKE
MOVE.T.U.C. REPRESENTATIVES
MEET PREMIER.

CONFERENCE REQUESTED

London, Oct. 26. The Prime Minister, accompanied by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Minister of Mines, met the representatives of T.U.C. in the Premier's Room at the House of Commons this evening, at the latter's request and discussed the coal situation.

The proceedings were secret but it is believed that the T.U.C. requested the summoning of coal owners' and miners' representatives. The Premier replied that Government intervention was useless while the present attitude of the two sides persisted. Nevertheless, the T.U.C. does not regard the interview as abortive and there is some hope of further meetings.—*Reuter*.

WELL-BEHAVED MINERS.

Rugby, Oct. 26. Defending in the House of Commons the renewal of the Emergency Regulations, Sir William Joynson Hicks, the Home Secretary, said that the number of cases dealt with under the Regulations during the past month had shown a decrease. During the past month he had felt some anxiety as to the efficiency of the police force in certain parts of the country, having regard to the potentialities of trouble. There had, however, been not many but only a few sporadic cases of disorder. He had communicated with the Chief Constables in districts where the coal stoppage existed, asking them whether they had sufficient police and whether they wanted support. Most of the Chief Constables gave a satisfactory report on the condition of affairs and reinforcements of police had been sent to only three or four places. The right of peaceful picketing was still allowed and he appealed to Members having influence in mining areas to see that it was not abused. So far, he gladly admitted, the dispute had been conducted without grave disorder and this said a great deal for the good temper of the mining community and of the police in their difficult duty. The chief virtue of the Regulations was that under them, offences could be dealt with more quickly than if they were remitted to the Assize Courts. The possible sentences at Assizes were, moreover, four times as heavy.—*British Wireless*.

REGULATIONS REVIEWED.

The House of Commons has adopted by 185 votes to 68 the continuance for a month of the Emergency Regulations. The House has adjourned until November 9th.—*Reuter*.

London, Oct. 26. There are now over a quarter of a million miners working, the official figures being 253,000, an increase of 7,000 to-day.—*Reuter*.

EARTH'S CRUST.

CHECKING POSSIBLE
MOVEMENTS.

Rugby, Oct. 26. Scientists at Greenwich and at many other observatories throughout the world are this month, and next, conducting a series of experiments under the auspices of the International Astronomical Union for verifying, or correcting, the world's longitude measurements by means of wireless telegraphy.

Time signals, specially designed for accurate clock comparison, are being issued thrice daily from stations at Washington, Honolulu, Saigon, Bordeaux and D'Issy, and these will be recorded in the time of the clocks at the co-operating observatories. The scheme, of which these experiments form a part, provides for a periodical repetition of the tests in order to explore possibilities as to the movements of the earth's crust and to obtain other scientific data.

To assist Greenwich to make accurate observations, the Rugby Wireless Station will be silent each evening from 20 hrs. 1 min. to 20 hrs. 7 min., and operators should note that until the end of November, the customary evening transmission of official wireless news will be subjected to this short delay.—*British Wireless*.

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IMPERIAL
CONFERENCE.MEETINGS OF SUB-
COMMITTEES.

Rugby, Oct. 26.

All the Dominions and India were represented at the ninth meeting of the Imperial Conference this morning when discussions on defence were begun.

An opening statement was made by the British Prime Minister, as Chairman of the Committee of Imperial Defence, and he was followed by Admiral Earl Beatty and Lord Birkenhead.

There was no meeting of the Conference this afternoon, but three of its Committees were at work.

Methods of developing and improving the system of the collection of Empire statistics and of making them more readily accessible and useful to individual Dominions and the Empire as a whole were discussed by the General Economic Sub-Committee.

The Forestry Sub-Committee at its first meeting reviewed the agenda in its broad aspects. Its chairman, Lord Lovat, drew attention to the work of the Imperial Forestry Institute at Oxford which was founded two years ago. In its first year it attracted 22 students and now had 35. On completing of their courses they will proceed to different parts of the Empire. At a later meeting, the committee will consider the question of establishing a Empire Forestry Bureau for the collection, co-ordination and dissemination of Forestry information.

FORESTRY RESEARCH.

The Research Committee, which covers a very wide field, including such subjects as fuel, research, food investigation and building research, also met, Lord Balfour presiding.

No meeting of the Imperial Conference will be held to-morrow, the British Ministers being engaged at a Cabinet meeting in the morning, but three important Committees will sit—the Committee on Inter-imperial Relations, the Committee on Mandates, and the General Economic Committee.

RESOLUTION OF SORROW.

Before proceeding to its agenda, the Imperial Conference passed the following resolution: This Conference desires on behalf of all parts of the Empire to record its deep sorrow at the loss of His Majesty's Ship *Valerian* with so many valuable lives of officers and men, whilst returning from a cruise undertaken to enable the Governor of the Bahamas to survey and relieve the damage done to the islands by a previous hurricane. As representatives of the Governments of the Empire, we are profoundly conscious of the services rendered by the Royal Navy not only in war but also in peace and of the risks and dangers constantly endured by officers and men in carrying out their duties.

Mr. Cosgrave, President of the Executive Council of the Irish Free State, who was not among the representatives of the Free State at this meeting of the Imperial Conference, has addressed a special message to the Secretary for the Dominions conveying the deep regret and sympathy of himself and his colleagues at the loss of the *Valerian*.

A reply was sent by the British Premier stating that he had been deeply moved by this message of sympathy, and expressing sincere appreciation.—*British Wireless*.

A delightful wooded glen, reminiscent of Bournemouth—in its undeveloped state and known by the name of "Pug's Hole," has been presented to Bournemouth Corporation by Lord Leven and Melville for the use of the public in perpetuity. The land is 10½ acres in extent, and is stated to be worth £10,000 as building land. Its value is enhanced from the public point of view by the fact that it is practically the last piece of untouched forest land remaining of the famous Talbot Woods, which were for many years the favourite resort of residents and visitors, but are now being rapidly developed for building purposes. The spot is said to have been formerly used by a smuggler named "Pug" to hide his contraband goods while they were awaiting disposal. The building place was, however, eventually discovered, and Pug's little store was sold in Poole market place.

BRITISH MOTOR BOOM
EXPECTED.HUGE CROWDS AT OLYMPIA
SHOW.

EXPORT TRADE GROWING.

Rugby, Oct. 26.

A motor car boom in the coming year is predicted by those who have studied the results of the first few days of the Motor Show at Olympia.

The magnitude of the crowds that have already visited the Exhibition far exceeds the dimensions of any former Show. Over 43,000 attended on Saturday, and yesterday, although the entrance price was raised to five shillings, over 25,000 people paid for admission.

Buying has been on an immense scale, particularly at the stands of the popular moderate-priced cars, but the business done in the more expensive machines had also been relatively heavy. The new cylinder models are in great demand.

A suggestion made by the Australian Prime Minister, that British manufacturers did not sufficiently study the needs of the Overseas Empire markets, is likely to result in increased attention being given to these markets, but the rapid expansion of the export trade in motors is already encouraging. For example, 2,000 Austin cars were sent abroad in 1923. In the following year, the figure was 4,000. Last year it was 10,000, and on the basis of first four months, 16,000 would be exported during the present year.—*British Wireless*.

AUSTRALIA AND OIL.

COMPANIES SEVERELY
CRITICISED.

Sydney, Oct. 26.

In opening the Country Press Conference, Mr. Page, the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, said that foreign oil companies had not only bid the country white, but were attempting to lay down how the country should progress. The Federal Government was prepared to fight them to a finish. The foreign oil companies' levies had greatly handicapped the progress of road locomotion in Australia and the Federal Government was determined that this could not be allowed to continue indefinitely. Commonwealth oil refineries would be formed for the purpose of making Australia independent in times of emergency and would soon demonstrate the exorbitance of importers' prices.—*Reuter*.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, Oct. 26.

To-day's dealings commence in the new Belgian unit, the Belga, which is equivalent to five of the old paper francs, the gold parity of the new unit being 35 to the £ sterling. Owing to the latter being slightly under parity, the Belga was quoted at premium, being 34.84 To-day's exchange rates are:

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Brussels	34.84
Amsterdam	12.12
Berlin	20.80
Copenhagen	18.23
Vienna	34.35 1/2
Helsinki	102.4
Lisbon	217/82
Buenos Aires	45 1/2
Shanghai	2/5 1/2
Yokohama	2/6 7/32
New York	4.84 1/4
Geneva	25.14
Milan	108.3
Stockholm	18.15
Oslo	19.33 1/4
Prague	103 1/2
Madrid	32.07 1/2
Rio	6 1/2
Bombay	1/5 27/32
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Silver (forward)	24 1/4

—*British Wireless*.

A picture by El Greco representing theadoration of the shepherds at Bethlehem has been found in a convent at Bolanos. It is a fine example of the artist's last period.

Children about to enter Busbridge Parish Church, Godalming, found Robert Shennan, aged 73, dead in the porch. He was parish clerk at Busbridge for 43 years.

The International Housing and Town-Planning Congress was opened in Vienna in the presence of some 800 delegates from more than 20 countries, including Great Britain.

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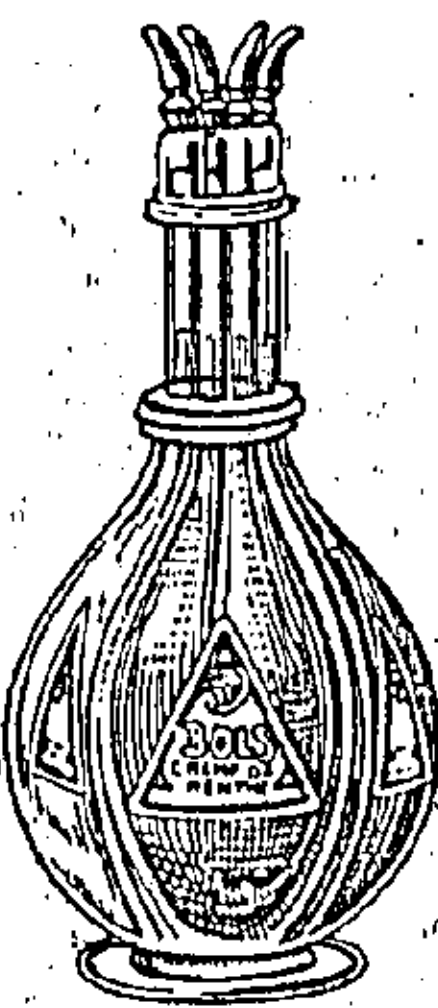
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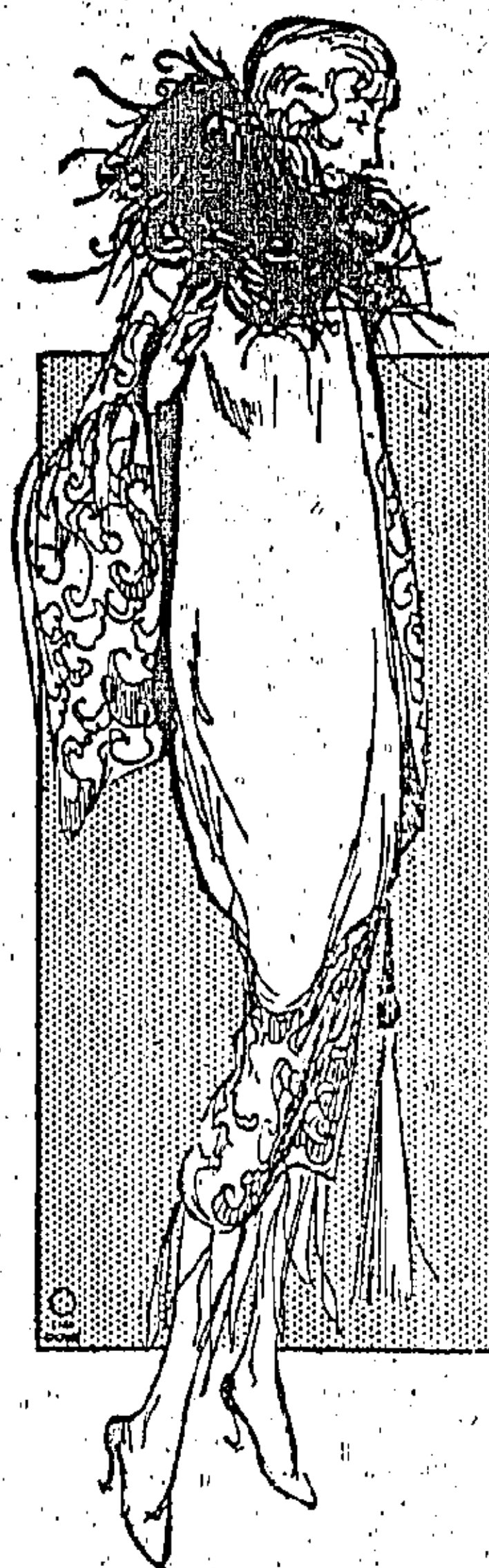
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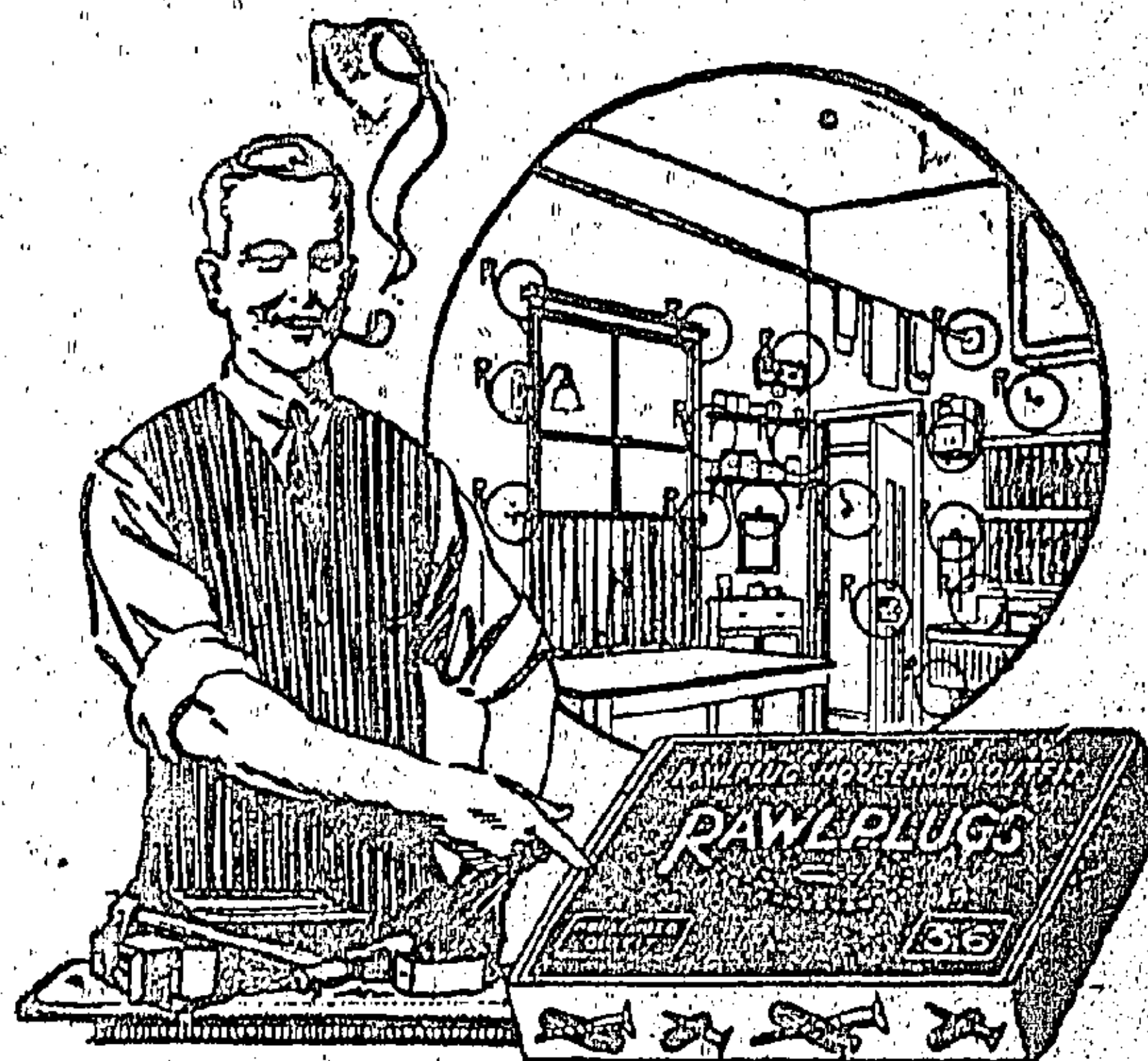
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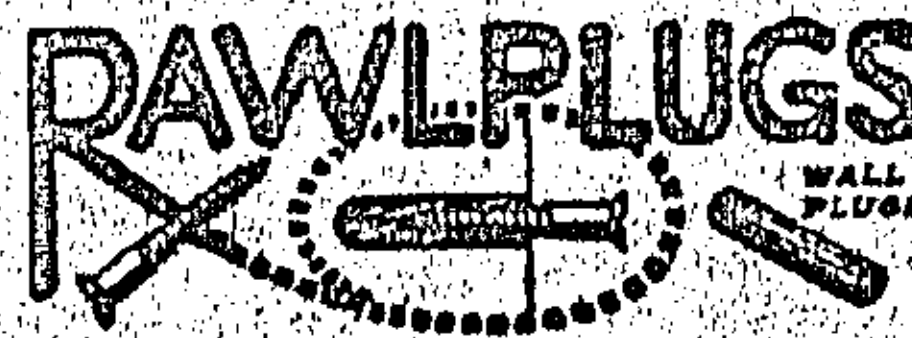
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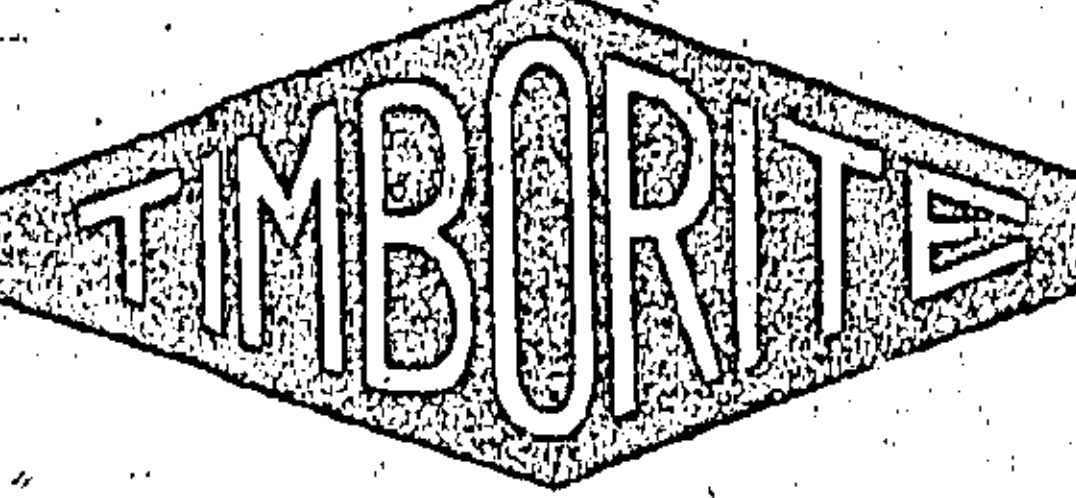
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The Hongkong Police Force have made a presentation of a Challenge Cup for inter-company "tag-of-war" to the East Surreys, as a memento of the cordial friendship and co-operation which has existed between these units during the regiment's stay in Hongkong.

The Surreys, in return, have presented the Police Force with a Challenge Cup for revolver shooting.

The following letters are published for the information of all military ranks:

Police Headquarters,
Hongkong.

26th October, 1926.

Brevet Colonel F. S. Montague-Bates, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., 1st Battalion, The East Surrey Regiment.

Sir,—I have the honour to forward a Challenge Cup which the members of the Hongkong Police desire to present to the "1st Ban," The East Surrey Regiment, as a memento of the most cordial relations which have existed between our respective units during the term of service of your Battalion here in Hongkong, a period which has been marked by serious troubles necessitating close co-operation between your Regiment and the Hongkong Police which I am proud to say has been more than fully realised.

The Officers and members of the Hongkong Police Force also wish to tender to your Battalion their most heartfelt thanks for so kindly placing a firing party and your Band at the disposal of the Police at funerals of members of the Hongkong Police who served in the late war. This kindly action will long be remembered. The friendly rivalry in sports and particularly in the "tag-of-war" competitions makes the early departure of the 1st Battalion East Surrey Regiment a matter of more than regret to the members of the Hongkong Police who one and all wish you a safe journey to India and a happy time in your new sphere of activity.

It is proposed that the Cup shall be competed for as an Inter-Company "Tag-of-war" Challenge Cup. Enclosed are also 10 miniature cups to be presented to the winners of the first contest.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) E. D. C. Wolfe.

Captain Superintendent of Police,
Hongkong.

26th October, 1926.

Captain Superintendent of Police,
Hongkong.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your very much appreciated letter dated 26th October, 1926.

All ranks of the Battalion desire me to thank the Officers and Members of the Hongkong Police Force for presenting the Battalion with such a beautiful Cup.

Anything the Battalion has done for the Hongkong Police during the past 3 years has been a pleasure to all concerned. I express the feelings of the whole Battalion in saying how greatly the Hongkong Police have helped in making the 3 years' the Battalion has been stationed in the Colony a happy one both as regards work and play. The good feeling and comradeship that has prevailed between all ranks of the Hongkong Police and those of the Battalion under my command, will, I feel sure, create a lasting friendship which can never be severed wherever the Battalion serves and at whatever distance.

A Challenge Cup is forwarded herewith (presented by all ranks of the 1st Battalion The East Surrey Regiment) to be competed for annually (Revolver) by individuals of the Hongkong Police Force, and I feel sure that the Cup will be treasured as much, but not more, than the Cup the members of the Hongkong Police Force have presented to this Battalion. I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) F. S. Montague-Bates.

Brevet Colonel.

Commanding, 1st Battalion,
The East Surrey Regiment.**THE CHINA STATION.****LATEST APPOINTMENTS.**

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty on Wednesday, September 29.
Lieutenant Commander R.C.A. Littleton to H.M.S. Tamar from October 3, Surgeon Lieutenant Commander J. F. Pace, M. B., to H.M.S. Tamar, additional, from October 18, and for Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong, from date of joining. Lieutenant W. G. Agnew to H.M.S. Darban on arrival in Hongkong, and on reconnaissance, and Lieutenant H.B.F. Moorhead to H.M.S. Hermes and for Observer "Duties" (Sept. 18) appointment to H.M.S. Eagle on recommissioning.

LAWN TENNIS.**MACAO TEAM VISITING
THE COLONY.**

In reciprocation of the invitation extended to them to visit Macao recently, the Chinese Recreation Club have asked the Club de Macao to send a team to Hongkong to engage them in a series of tennis matches, which will take place on the C. R. C. ground on Saturday and Sunday next, beginning at 3.30 p.m. on both days.

On both of the interport days the Committee of the Chinese Recreation Club will be "At Home" from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. On Saturday evening at 8.45 p.m. a dance will be held in honour of the visiting team in the Club pavilion.

The Portuguese players and party will be the guests of the Club at a Chinese banquet which will be held in the Club's premises on Sunday night.

It will be remembered that during August the local Chinese club accepted an invitation to visit Macao and returned victorious by five matches to four.

The Chinese Recreation Club was then represented by Ng Sze-kuang and M. W. Lo, Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-sun, and M. H. Lo and Lu Tak-cheung. The Club de Macao team comprised, Villa Franco and J. M. Fernandez, A. H. Melo and C. A. da Silva, and P. M. Xavier and M. A. da Silva.

Although the invitation from the C. R. C. has been accepted by the Portuguese club, whose members will arrive in Hongkong on Friday or Saturday, the composition of the team is not yet known. It is thought that they will be represented by some of the same players, if not all of them.

The Chinese, having the advantage of playing at home, will put out a strong team to oppose the visitors and the matches should be most interesting.

COAL TALK.**APPEAL FOR DISTRICT
SETTLEMENT.**

Rugby, Oct. 26.

There was a net increase of 5,000 miners at work throughout the country yesterday, the total being approximately a quarter of a million.

Questioned in the House of Commons on the prohibition by the Chief Constable of Staffordshire of meetings to be addressed in that locality by Mr. Cook, the Miners' Secretary, Sir William Joynton Hicks, the Home Secretary, said he was unprepared to interfere either prospectively or retrospectively, with the discretion of the Chief Constable whose local knowledge led him to believe such meetings would have caused disorder. Another meeting with a different speaker had in fact been permitted in the same district yesterday.

Local police authorities in Yorkshire prohibited a meeting which Mr. Herbert Smith, the Miners' President, was to have addressed.

Colonel Lane Fox, the Secretary for Mines, speaking late in last night's Commons coal debate, made an earnest appeal for provincial district settlements expressing the view that if such a course were sanctioned by the Miners' Federation, there could be an agreement within a week in the majority of districts. He particularly emphasised that such a step would not destroy the Federation, but would leave it in exactly the same position as it held up to 1921. Industry existed under district settlements till that date, and if the Federation had the confidence of the men it represented it would remain. It was evident that under present conditions there were some districts which, at any rate for the time, would require some extension of hours if they were to maintain a decent and reasonable rate of wages. He said the Government would not risk further rebuffs until there was evidence of good sense as well as good will on the part of disputants.—*British Wireless.*

In the near future lovers of animals may find it possible to make their pets companions of a lifetime instead of regretfully replacing them as the years go by. Professor Barar and Dr. Frick, of the Budapest Veterinary Academy, have been performing the Voronoff monkey-gland operation on aged dogs and cats with conspicuous success (in direct contradiction to the results obtained with human patients). An entirely bald, asthmatic eighteen-year-old dog on which Dr. Frick performed the operation showed signs of rejuvenation within six weeks, and after three months developed a thick new coat, and a fourteen-year-old fox-terrier which had become practically helpless has entirely recovered the alertness characteristic of its species.

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POLICY.**

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The power of this trust in its value to an impoverished country which welcomed at the outset any plan likely to create something of value out of material generally esteemed valueless. German dyes, drugs, and chemical products in general had their world-wide reputation before the war, but out of the original works then manufacturing these products has grown the new industries of artificial manures, artificial silk, and (not quite realised, but very close to materialisation) synthetic benzene. Through the perfection of a new electric method for manufacturing phosphates a new artificial manure has been created which contains nitrate, kali, and phosphates in variable proportions suitable for the most widely differing kinds of soil. These manures will be enormously reduced in price.

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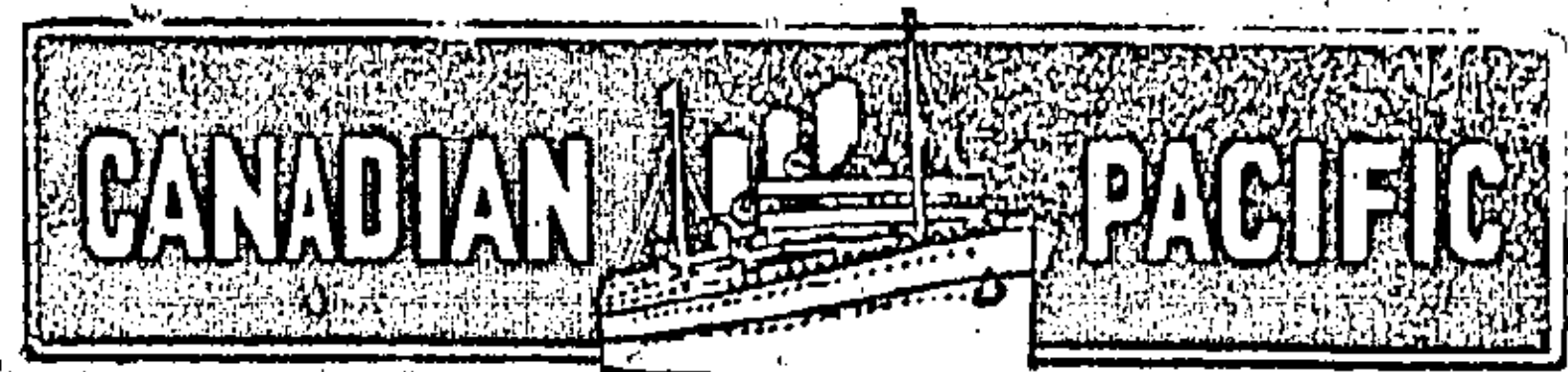
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MISSIONARY DIES IN THE
 JUNGLE.

The Rev. Daniel Crawford, a Scottish missionary for the Plymouth Brethren in Central Africa for thirty-four years, and for three years the captive of a powerful

Bantu chief, has died at Launza, a jungle town in the Congo that struggled into existence under the fashioning of the missionary's hands.

He was a courageous, romantic figure, a passionate admirer of David Livingstone, and devoted to the black people, although they tried more than once to take his life.

For seventeen years his wife shared his perilous crusade among the cannibals.

It was Mushidi, a black Napoleon among the aboriginal tribes, who held the missionary in bondage within his "empire," compelling him to act as his social and confidential secretary, chaplain, and adviser. Mr. Crawford became the power behind the throne, and for three years cunningly controlled the affairs of the little kingdom, often at the risk of his own life.

During his captivity he saw twenty to thirty victims sacrificed every day by the black emperor, and skulls were piled in ghastly pyramids. The emperor had 500 wives, and demanded absolute fidelity from each.

While those three years of terror dragged on the missionary patiently and insistently preached the Word of God, but the riot of bloodshed continued, despite his entreaties.

Belgian troops, who heard of the cannibal kingdom, raised the country, killed the emperor in a skirmish, and liberated the missionary.

PROHIBITION AND THE
YOUNG.

EVIDENCE OF AMERICAN
 COLLEGES.

One of the most prevalent lines of criticism among those who dissent from the policy of Prohibition in America has to do with the effects of much restriction upon the habits and standards of young people, says a writer in the London Observer. It has been affirmed that "forbidden fruit" exercises its customary fascination, that Prohibition stimulates defiance, and that under the present regime adolescents of both sexes find an incentive to indulge in alcohol to which they would not otherwise have been subject. It would no doubt be easy to find examples of this process. Human nature would not be itself if in large communities there were not a certain number of individuals who revelled in the pose of law-breakers and found the pleasure of bravado in infringing the legislation of recent years. The real issue is one of degree. How do the indulgences and excesses of these young

"rebels" compare in number or gravity with the general effects of Prohibition upon the life and character of the rising generation? Only a close and careful examination of witnesses who are in intimate touch with the facts all over America could afford means of confidently answering the question of whether Prohibition has had the retrograde effects ascribed to it by some of its opponents.

The Literary Digest, of New York, has gone some distance towards securing the necessary testimony by means of a questionnaire which it addressed to approximately all the universities and colleges in the United States. If there is any real substance in the allegations referred to, it is precisely in such institutions that the proof of them would have to be expected. The student community always exhibits in an abnormal degree the independent and self-assertive instincts of its age, and is never slow to protest against novel restraints which it finds distasteful. Whatever "revolt" Prohibition may have excited in the younger generation will assuredly be found at its maximum in academic circles.

OVERWHELMING APPROVAL.

The inquiries of the Literary Digest have found response from more than 200 college university heads in all parts of the country, and the overwhelming trend of their testimony is favourable to Prohibition. The exceptions are duly recorded, and are on lines whose tenor has been made familiar by hostile propaganda. Thus one authority writes that "drinking has been less in amount, but much more demoralising in effect," and adds that "it would seem much preferable to have 100 students drink legally than to have one incapacitated himself with a bottle of synthetic gin." Another affirms that "when there is drinking it is liable to be of

a more scandalous nature and very often associated with house parties and with young women." The President of Princeton declares "the problem of intelligent control is much more difficult," and the President of Montana State University says that drinking among college men has decreased, but "drinking among very young women has increased enough so as to be somewhat alarming, but is confined to a small percentage of those who are so ambitious socially as to be unwilling to count the cost."

It is necessary to cite such testimonies in order to show the extensive and representative character of the information which our contemporary has collected. But in the pages of the Digest they are almost buried in the weight and volume of country opinion. In the State of Ohio, for instance, we find eight college observers affirming their belief in Prohibition and that a reduction in drinking has followed in its train, while one believes that there is more drinking among youth than there was before Mr. Volstead appeared on the scene.

THE "STUDENT'S FLASK."

The Eastern States are looked upon as "the chief salient of the wets," but even from these the main trend of the reports is harmonious with those from other parts of America. Only a fifth of the Yale students are believed to be in sympathy with Prohibition, but the retiring Dean observes that there is decidedly less drinking than before its advent. The President of Boston University says that "any comparison made by one who knows instantly becomes a contrast—a contrast greatly in favour of Prohibition." The President of Cornell reports that drinking "has greatly decreased in the last three or four years." In Pennsylvania, which is a lively battle-ground of the two schools of opinion, every reply is to the effect that drinking among students is diminishing.

In the Middle Western colleges by far the largest body of opinion is to the effect that Prohibition has been a reforming agency. The President of Battle Creek College writes that the legend of the "student's flask" is very greatly exaggerated, and the President of Albion says drinking is "the least of his worries as a college president." "With 3,051 students enrolled this year at West Virginia University," writes the head of that institution, "we are not having anything near the amount of trouble in handling the drinking question that we had ten or twelve years ago with less than one-third that number of students."

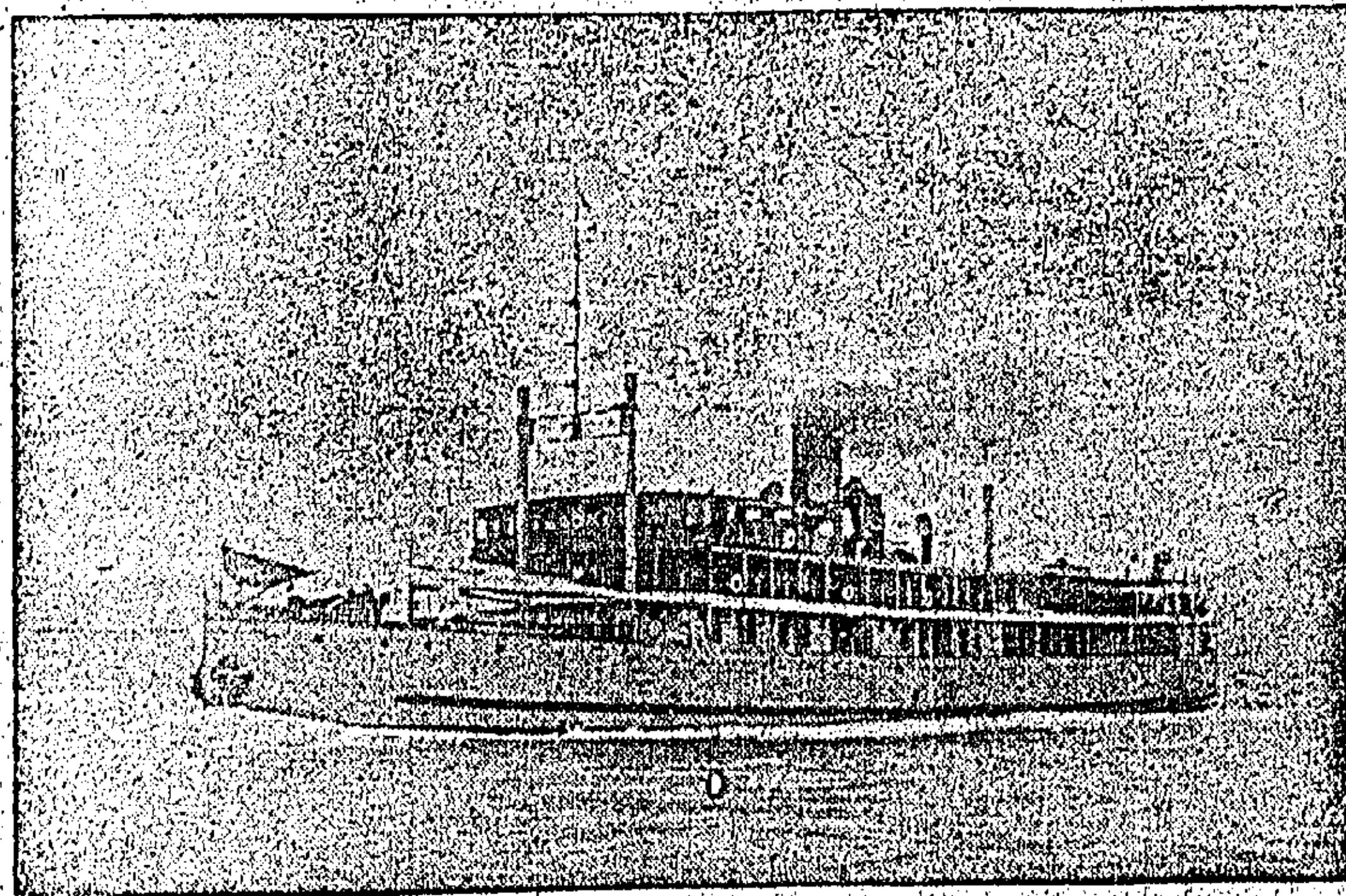
Evidence from the Far West is in the same strain. The President of Stanford University says the problem "is about one-tenth of what it was 'during his own student days there, and from the Southern States the replies are on the whole even more emphatic."

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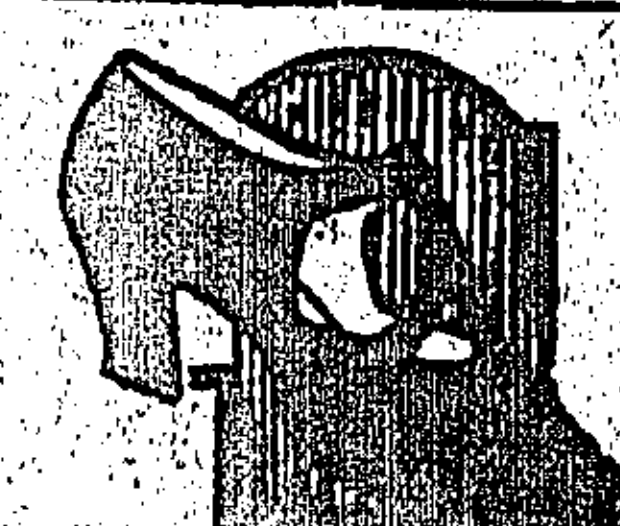
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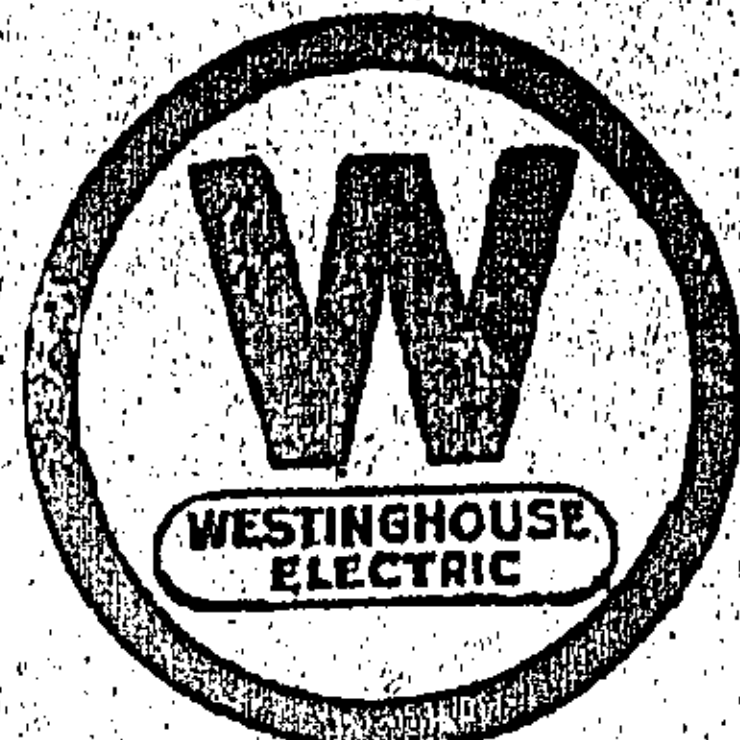
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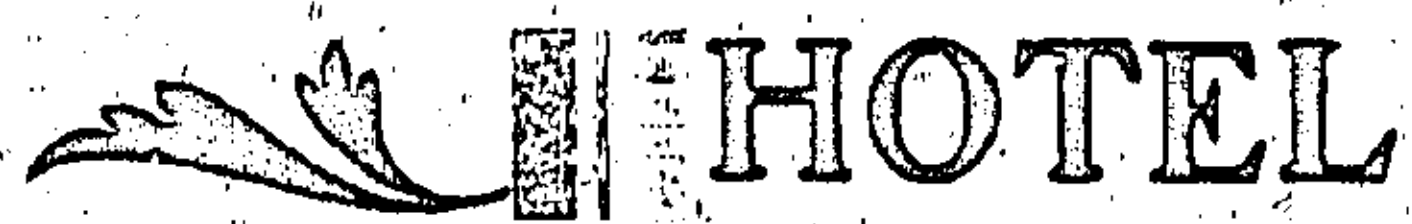
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In reply to Mr. Lindsell, witness said it was one of the cleverest hiding places he had ever seen, and later said he could not have found the opium had it not been for information received.

Answering Mr. Lo, witness said his information did not say that anyone on the ship was implicated. He admitted that the opium could have been put on board without the knowledge of the captain or officers. Witness understood that about half the crew of the vessel had since absconded.

Mr. Lo then sought to put a different interpretation on the section of the Ordinance under which the defendants were charged, than had been formerly held, contending that the finding of the opium on board was not conclusive proof against the owners.

After considerable argument, Mr. Lindsell over-ruled Mr. Lo on the question of the interpretation of the Ordinance, and said he accepted the evidence of the prosecution that the owners and responsible officers might not have known anything about it. He would therefore impose a light fine of \$500.

TRAIN SMASH.

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shop Manager) and Wayne, Jnr. (Assistant to the Traffic Manager) boarded the breakdown train and left for the scene of the accident. Meanwhile the express was helpless at a point between Katsze and Chinkiang with several hundred passengers aboard.

This train finally got away from the North Station at 10.50 o'clock on Friday morning. At best it would take four hours to reach the scene of the accident.

Steps are being taken by the railway authorities to safeguard trains against a repetition of this sort of underhand work on the part of the Southern scouts.

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SELECTED DIRECTORS.

To ensure public confidence in the proposition and to divorce it entirely from politics, Senator Tirona would have the officers and board of directors of the bank elected by the shareholders from among wealthy men of proved integrity. He would make the insular auditor an ex-officio officer of the bank who may conduct audits any time.

It is learned that the plan to include in the 1927 budget Pesos 100,000 to finance the expenses of the proposed speech making tour in the United States next winter of the resident commissioners may not be carried out in view of the possible objection of the Governor General to the inclusion of such an item in the budget. The Pesos 100,000 is to be apportioned to each chamber in Pesos 50,000. The recent ruling of the insular auditor on the illegality of the independence fund also was taken into account.

WOUNDED?



Above is General Chang Kai-shek, the Commander of the Southern Army, who is said to have been seriously wounded in the recent fighting.

MORE FIGHTING.

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other foreign houses are safe, and all the foreigners have escaped injury so far, despite the bullets and shells, which have landed in their compounds. The sufferings of the civilians in and around Nanchang is reported to be terrible.

It is feared that the Southerners will return again when they are reinforced.

Two foreigners were held up by the Southerners for 10 days when collecting wounded men, but finally got back to Nanchang safely.

There are both Southern and Northern troops lying wounded in the hospital at Nanchang, as well as civilians.

The Northern troops are still in charge of the city, and Sun Chuan-fang's men hold the Railway which is open for traffic to Nanchang.

The Red Cross Party left Nanchang on Sunday morning (the 17th) early arriving at Kiukiang at 4 a.m. to-day, which is usually a four hour trip.

The correspondent adds that it was most probably Chang Kai-shek's representative who refused to move the guns from the compound, and not Chang himself, who may never have been informed that the guns were there.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK WOUNDED.

Kiukiang, Oct. 21.

In an interview with the correspondent of the Toho News Agency, a staff officer of General Cheng Chui-yen said:—"The main force of General Chu Pei-teh's troops, consisting of powerful Southern troops began to assume the aggressive along the western shores of the Kau River on Oct. 11. Though we had a hard time of it our troops launched a furious attack on the Southern forces as soon as General Lu Hsiang-ting's troops advanced on the rear of the left wing of the enemy and at last annihilated them on October 14. The number of corpses left behind was more than 1,000, and we are still unable to dispose of the dead. The routed soldiers of the Southern troops appear to be concentrated at Kacan, but they may not be able to make another attempt."

General Yueh, Commander of the 1st Division, said:—"As the main body of the Southern troops under the direct command of General Chang Kai-shek closed in upon Nanchang, our troops closed the gates on Oct. 11 and defended the city. At 4 o'clock on Oct. 18, we formed a 'dare to die corps' and sent them out in three directions. They made surprise attacks on the Headquarters of General Lu Tsi-ping as well as of General Chiang Kai-shek, in spite of the enemy's sentinels and advance posts. The attacks were quite effective, beyond our expectations, and the enemy began to beat a retreat in a disorderly manner."

General Chang Kai-shek was wounded in this battle. At the same time one of the three Russian attaches at General Chang's Headquarters was also wounded. It appears that General Chang is now concentrating his routed soldiers at Changshu. Toho.

The sales of the Co-operative Wholesale Society for the June half-year reached a total of £36,826,524, and, after providing for all expenses, interest, and depreciation, the net trading surplus was £532,548, from which a dividend of 3d. in the pound to the society shareholders is being allocated.

THE RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK.

DIFFICULTIES OVER THE WINDING-UP ORDER.

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) at the Supreme Court this morning, made an order for the winding-up of the affairs of the local branch of the Russo-Asiatic Bank in accordance with an application made by Mr. Sheldon, (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Masters) on behalf of the Bank's creditors.

Mr. Sheldon made three submissions in his petition.

The first was that the proceedings were within the operation of Section 24 and the following sections of the Companies Ordinance applying to the winding-up of unregistered companies. The second was that the Court had this jurisdiction in the matter of winding-up, and the third was that the petition and the statutory affidavits were sufficient evidence for the Court to make the order.

Upon his Lordship expressing doubts as to whether the first of these submissions could be substantiated, Mr. Sheldon said the Russo-Asiatic Bank came under the definition of an unregistered company for the reason that it was a foreign company with its head office under another jurisdiction. He later said that the Bank had remained closed and no business had been carried on with the public since the 27th September, when a notice was posted at the entrance stating that the Bank was going into voluntary liquidation and would remain closed.

On this point also his Lordship demurred, and Mr. Sheldon argued that a Bank could be considered to cease business when it ceased to discharge the ordinary banking business of borrowing and lending on credit. Such business as was now done by the Bank would be solely in connection with the winding-up of its affairs as indicated by the notice.

His Lordship:—"I have never understood that the actual words used here come under the heading of ceasing to carry on business."

Mr. Sheldon replied that if his Lordship was against him there, he would submit that the Bank was only carrying on business for the purpose of winding up its affairs, and of going into voluntary liquidation.

His Lordship, disagreed in pointing to the actual wording of the notice which his Lordship held did not necessarily have this meaning.

Mr. Sheldon then submitted a new point—that the order could be made on the ground that the Bank was unable to pay its debts, as borne out in the affidavits of Chinese firms, creditors of the Russo-Asiatic Bank, which were unable to obtain payment of sums due to them.

His Lordship indicated that he would make the order on this second ground of inability of the Bank to pay its debts.

Mr. Sheldon alluded to a difficulty which might arise in the making of the order, and he suggested that it should be made in a form similar to the case of the Commercial Company of South Australia. In the case quoted, the Judge said he could not make an out-and-out order, due to the fact that the Company in question had branches in different parts. The same difficulty occurred in the present case of the Russo-Asiatic Bank which had branches all over China.

His Lordship directed that the order in the form proposed by Mr. Sheldon be submitted to him for approval.

The continuation of the appointment of Mr. Fleming, as Special Manager of the Russo-Asiatic Bank, was confirmed by the Court on an application made by Mr. D. W. Tratman, acting as Official Receiver.

A message from Suva, Fiji, states that the members of the Empire Parliamentary Association, who are guests of the Governor and local residents, visited the Daviulevu mission station on the Rewa river. Mekeo, or the native ceremonial dances, in honour of guests, were given by the Fijians. The Governor, Sir Eyre-Huston, expressed the hope that the visitors would, if possible, persuade Australia to remove the banana duty. The visitors were greatly impressed with the potentialities of Fiji.

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